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Shapiro & Duncan, Inc. Named Accredited Quality Contractor by ABC

Rockville, Maryland, December 8th, - <u>Shapiro & Duncan, Inc.</u> of Rockville, MD today announced that is has been named an Accredited Quality Contractor (AQC) by the Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC).

"Shapiro & Duncan, Inc. has earned Accredited Quality Contractor through its unwavering commitment to its employees, clients and the communities in which it works," said 2016 ABC National Chair David Chapin, president of Wilmar Electric Service, Lincoln, Neb. Shapiro & Duncan's dedication to responsibility and ethically running its business permeates through every facet of its operation and makes it a terrific ambassador for the merit shop construction community."

"Shapiro & Duncan is proud to be recognized by the Associated Builders and Contractors and receive this important accreditation. We attribute our success to the talented team of people who everyday proudly live by our core values in engineering, planning, constructing, and maintaining amazing mechanical systems in incredible structures. Our People Perform!" said Vice President of Business Development, Mark Drury.

Launched in 1993, ABC's AQC program provides recognition to world-class construction firms that have documented their commitment in five areas of corporate responsibility:

- Quality
- Safety (ABC Safety Training Evaluation Process (STEP) Gold, Platinum or Diamond Level Required)
- Employee benefits
- Training
- Community relations and diversity

AQC is recognized by Construction Users Roundtable (CURT), an organization founded by leading construction project owners. In achieving AQC status, each member company takes the following pledge:

As an Accredited Quality Contractor, our company is committed to providing our clients with the highest quality construction services and we care deeply about our employees and the communities in which we build. We are proud to be part of the construction industry and are dedicated to the principle of free enterprise. We commit ourselves to serve our communities and to provide our employees with the skills they need to work safely and productively in order to meet the needs of our clients.

Founded in 1950, **Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC)** is a national construction industry trade association representing nearly 21,000 members. Founded on the merit shop philosophy, ABC and its 70 chapters help members develop people, win work and deliver that work safely, ethically and profitably for the betterment of the communities in which ABC and its members work. Visit us at abc.org.