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LOCAL MANUFACTURER RECEIVES COVETED 2007 SUPPLIER OF THE YEAR AWARD

In today's world of cutting corners and streamlining customer service to the point of extinction, one company has found a way not only to increase profits every year, but also provide consistent, excellent customer service as well as a quality product. Family-owned and operated commercial sheet metal and gutter supplier, ADVANCED Architectural Sheet Metal Inc. has taken their team concept with dedication and commitment to such a high level, that on December 7th, they were awarded the prestigious 2007 Supplier of the Year award by the Chicagoland Roofing and Contractors Association, CRCA. Cathy Schouten, one of the principle owners at ADVANCED Architectural Sheet Metal Inc. comments, "We couldn't be prouder of our employees. They've really taken our philosophy of professionalism, dedication, and teamwork to heart, truly going above and beyond with every customer." Cathy, who has been a member of

CRCA for over ten years and currently sits on the membership committee, believes you don't have to be a large manufacturer to provide a quality product with professional, consistent customer service. "We're a small family owned shop in Chicago Heights, Illinois. Most people don't even know where that is, but we do. We care. That's really what it comes down to, we care about our product, we care about our customers, we care how we perform today, tomorrow, and into the future," says Cathy. "Because our crew has also worked in the field in their careers, we have the unique ability to produce sheet metal and gutter products that really do work, the first time, saving our customers time and money. It's all about our entire company working together to produce the best product for our customers."

The Supplier of the year award is so prestigious because it recognizes continuous service throughout the year to CRCA Member Contractors. The award is based on a numerical rating given by CRCA Member Contractors. A supplier's professionalism, knowledge of products, service, helpfulness and integrity are rated. The award was presented at the CRCA Annual Awards Dinner December 7th, 2007.

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