Environmental Leader of the Year Award Program 2013

Agustin Figueroa, CEMEX – In his capacity as Environmental Manager, Agustin Figueroa has worked with operations to develop an environmental programs centered on a commitment to both compliance and demonstration of proactive environmental policies. For the Association, Agustin has served in the role as ARPA Environmental Committee Chairman, as well as various project specific sub-committees.

Agustin is a tremendous individual with an amazing work ethic and has truly gone above and beyond the call of duty for our association and the industry. This year in his role as the Environment Committee Chairman he has:

- had to act as Environment, Community Relations and Government Affairs Committee liaison,
- has participated in stakeholder discussions along with the ARPA’s staff regarding multiple environment related issues,
- has met with directors of various agencies monthly on behalf of the industry including: ADEQ, Maricopa County and the Maricopa Association of Governments,
- participated in stakeholder meetings regarding federal, state, county and local rule development, as well as with county flood control districts,
- he is working on three beneficial proposals and has coordinated with the NSSGA, UofA’s Lowell Institute’s Center for Environmentally Sustainable Mining and ARPA in order to provide data that will benefit the rock products industry,
- has assisted in providing technical and operations information for purposes of the 5% air quality plan development, blasting emissions factors, and has provided solutions to address permitting delays, modeling emissions factors, and multiple other key rule development and policies. Likewise, he has kept ARPA appraised of developments impacting our members; and
- he has been inundated with emails and phone calls that come in from me daily.

It is important for members to understand the sacrifices individuals are making for the Association and on behalf of the industry.