

The Ingenious Execution of the AARP Main Plant Modernization Project Earns Shapiro & Duncan an ABC Metropolitan Excellence in Construction Award

The Metropolitan Washington Excellence in Construction awards recognizes the extraordinary quality construction produced by members of Associated Builders and Contractors' (ABC's) Metro Washington and Virginia Chapters.

Rockville, MD – September 15, 2017 – Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc. held the 2017 Excellence in Construction Award Ceremony at the Ritz Carlton in McLean, Virginia on September 14, 2017. The annual program recognized 52 projects in 38 categories committed to quality construction in the Washington area. Shapiro & Duncan won in the mechanical category for AARP Main Plant Modernization project.

With owner satisfaction and quality performance at the forefront of Shapiro & Duncan's mission, the team created an energy efficient modern system using a carefully coordinated process reliant on data captured by digital scanning tools on site.

"Our team met all of the challenges head on and completed the project on time and on budget. Climate control and chilled water service were maintained continuously, as required by the owner. In fact, most of the building occupants didn't even know the work was being done. Keeping everything in motion, without becoming a distraction to the occupants, took close communication on the job from start to finish." - Superintendent, Billy Campbell

A pivotal factor to the successful and timely completion of the AARP project was Shapiro & Duncan's project management team, who made use of pull planning to schedule equipment deliveries by working back from the completion date of each phase. In addition, software technology and advanced fabrication equipment from our prefabrication shop allowed the chillers, piping and cooling towers to be replaced during the winter months, with the building ready for full cooling for the summer of 2016.

"I wanted to express my gratitude and appreciation for the professionalism, project management and workmanship that was exhibited by the management team and all the skilled tradesmen that were involved in the chiller plant modernization. I was very impressed with the craftsmanship exhibited and the pride taken in the work, in doing the job right. Our client now has a fully modernized, computer operated, energy efficient chiller plant that will serve the building for 30 years." – Douglas Byrnes of Jones Lang LaSalle

To learn more about the overall project, including the mechanical and plumbing equipment and system components used in our AARP solution, visit <http://www.shapiroandduncan.com/aarp-main-plant-modernization/>

About Shapiro & Duncan Inc.: S&D is a "Mechanical Solutions Provider of Choice" for commercial, government and institutional customers throughout the D.C. metro area for mechanical construction, design-build and traditional projects, as well as equipment replacement and 24/7 service. A third generation family business, Shapiro & Duncan since 1976 has established a track record of dependability and innovation that has consistently enabled the company to deliver high value and efficient mechanical infrastructure to its customers. The

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company also provides well documented mechanical solutions utilizing Building Information Modeling (BIM) to ensure prompt delivery of each and every project. Shapiro & Duncan also promotes state-of-the-art quality, coordination and sustainability prefabricating mechanical and plumbing assemblies for all projects from their manufacturing plant in Landover. Design, Build, and Sustain are the guidelines for the mechanical solutions that Shapiro & Duncan provides on every project. To learn more about the company of Shapiro & Duncan visit www.shapiroandduncan.com or call (301) 315-6260.

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