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## 51st Annual Emergency Response/Mine Rescue Skills Competition . . . A Test with Great Success!

Saskatoon: Teams of dedicated and highly trained emergency response/mine rescue personnel from sixteen mine sites around the province tested their skills at the 51st Annual Emergency Response/Mine Rescue Skills Competition held at the World Trade Centre at Prairieland Park on Saturday June 1, 2019.

Underground and Surface Rescue teams displayed their highly qualified and proficient skills in 5 separate events, including Fire Fighting, First Aid, Proficiency Skills, Practical Skills and Simulated Surface and Underground Mine Problems.

The Overall winners of the 51st Annual Emergency Response Mine Rescue Skills Competition are:

OVERALL

Surface Winner - Nutrien Patience Lake — Runner Up – Mosaic Belle Plaine

Underground Winner – Mosaic Esterhazy K1 — Runner Up – Nutrien Lanigan

The Individual Event winners of the 51st Annual Emergency Response Competition are:

FIRST AID

Surface Winner - Nutrien Patience Lake — Runner Up – Orano McClean Lake

Underground Winner - Mosaic Colonsay — Runner Up – Nutrien Allan

FIRE FIGHTING

Surface Winner – Westmoreland Poplar River — Runner Up – Nutrien Patience Lake

Underground Winner – Nutrien Lanigan — Runner Up – Mosaic Colonsay

PROFICIENCY

Surface Winner - K+S Potash Bethune — Runner Up – Westmoreland Poplar River

Underground Winner – Nutrien Cory — Runner Up – Mosaic Esterhazy K1

PRACTICAL SKILLS

Surface Winner – Nutrien Patience Lake — Runner Up – Westmoreland Estevan

Underground Winner – Nutrien Vanscoy — Runner Up – Nutrien Cory

SURFACE FIELD PROBLEM

Surface Winner - Mosaic Belle Plaine — Runner Up – Westmoreland Poplar River

UNDERGROUND MINE PROBLEM

Underground Winner – Mosaic Esterhazy K1 — Runner Up – Nutrien Vanscoy

The Saskatchewan Mining Association salutes these safety professionals who are a tremendous resource, both to the mines where they work and their home communities.

At the Awards ceremony, two member companies received the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum's prestigious John T. Ryan National Safety Trophy. For a second year in a row, Mosaic Esterhazy K1 received the National Award for Select Mines with a rate of 'zero' – meaning they had no lost time injuries, or modified work injuries at their operations in 2018 representing over 1,131,000 hours worked. Westmoreland Poplar River also received the John T. Ryan National Award in the Coal Mine Category working over 275,000 with a reportable injury rate of 'zero'. This is a great safety achievement. In addition to the CIM National Awards, for a second year in a row Cameco Cigar Lake Mine received the 2018 John T. Ryan Regional Safety Trophy in the Metal Mine category for Prairie Provinces and Territories.

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