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Conference of Professional Operators for Response Towing

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C-PORT Honors Members for Dedication to the C-PORT Mission

C-PORT (Conference of Professional Operators for Response Towing) presented two of its members with the C-PORT Advocacy Award during its Awards Luncheon on January 16, 2018 at Jupiter, FL. The C-PORT Advocacy Award is presented to a C-PORT member for their service to the association and to the marine assistance industry through advocacy and leadership. C-PORT's mission is to represent, promote, protect and defend its member companies through communication, relationship development and education. This award is presented to the C-PORT member who demonstrates political involvement by actively working towards and advancing C-PORT's causes with their government representatives.

John Ward, C-PORT chairman, recognized these two recipients.

Greg Dreischmeyer, Cat Tow Inc./TowBoatU.S. Catalina, for his persistence in advocating for the California members. He brought the concerns of the industry to his representative and through his determination, C-PORT's request that the antiquated California Harbors and Navigation Code be repealed moved to a California state legislative legal review.

Joe Frohnhoefer, Sea Tow International, for his persistence in advocating for federal preemption in the handling of 911 dispatch calls. Through his determination, language to "further minimize the possibility of maritime 911 calls being improperly routed" was included in the U.S. House of Representative's version of the U.S. Coast Guard Authorization Act.



(Pictured are Phil Delano, accepting on behalf of Greg Dreischmeyer, John Ward, and Joe Frohnhoefer.)

C-PORT was founded in 1986 to act as a liaison between the marine assistance industry and public agencies and organizations involved with boating safety, marine assistance, marine salvage and other marine-related operations. Our members are dedicated to providing prompt, professional and timely assistance to all boaters and to actively partner and cooperate with local law enforcement and U.S. Coast Guard. For more information, contact C-PORT at (954) 261-2012 or visit www.cport.us.