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Colville Engineer Receives ASHRAE Distinguished Service Award

DENVER-Bruce Nelson, P.E., has received a Distinguished Service Award from ASHRAE.

The award was presented at the Society's 2013 Annual Conference held here June 22-27. The award is given to individuals who have served the Society faithfully and with distinction, and who have given freely of their time and talent on behalf



of ASHRAE. The honor recognizes participation in chapter, regional and Society activities.

Nelson is president, Colmac Coil Manufacturing, Colville, Wash.

The ongoing "theme" of his involvement with ASHRAE is to advocate and facilitate research aimed at developing more effective and efficient use of natural refrigerants, particularly ammonia. Nelson is a former member of the Refrigeration Committee, Standard 33, Methods of Testing Forced Circulation Air Cooling and Air Heating Coils, and Technical Committee 1.3, Heat Transfer and Fluid Flow. Nelson's mentor let him know early in his career that volunteering with ASHRAE was "just something that you did;" there was never any question in Nelson's mind that he would contribute to the Society.

ASHRAE, founded in 1894, is a building technology society with more than 50,000 members worldwide. The Society and its members focus on building systems, energy efficiency, indoor air quality, refrigeration and sustainability. Through research, standards writing, publishing and continuing education, ASHRAE shapes tomorrow's built environment today.

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