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## Virginia Energy Recognizes Excellence in Mineral Mine Safety and Reclamation

**Richmond, VA** — The Virginia Department of Energy (Virginia Energy) honored outstanding achievements in mineral mine safety and land reclamation during the Virginia Transportation Construction Alliance (VTCA) Annual Meeting on June 21 at The Greenbrier in White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia. Presented in partnership with VTCA—which represents more than 90% of Virginia’s mineral mine production—the awards recognize operators who go above and beyond regulatory requirements to protect workers, restore land, and contribute to the Commonwealth’s economy and environment.

“These awards highlight what responsible mineral mining looks like—prioritizing safety, land stewardship, and being a good neighbor,” said **Phil Skorupa, Director of the Division of Mineral Mining**. “We’re proud to honor companies that are setting the standard not only for operational excellence but also for how they care for their workers, their land, and their communities.”

This year’s winners represent a cross-section of Virginia’s mineral mining industry, which continues to play a vital role in powering the Commonwealth’s economy. In 2024, Virginia’s mineral mining operations produced more than 70 million tons of materials valued at \$1.9 billion (USGS estimate), employed over 10,000 Virginians, and reclaimed nearly 1,500 acres of mined lands—primarily for pasture (49%), commercial use (37%), and forestry (9%).

### 2025 Mineral Mine Reclamation Awards

The Virginia Orphan Land Advisory Committee selected three non-quarry sand and gravel operations for exemplary land restoration following mineral extraction. These companies demonstrated strong environmental planning, collaboration with local partners, and a commitment to lasting land value through thoughtful grading, seeding, erosion control, and productive reuse.

#### Overall Winner – Non-Quarry

<b>Iluka Resources Inc.</b>	Old Hickory Mine	Dinwiddie County
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#### Honorable Mention – Non-Quarry

<b>Branscome Operating LLC</b>	Hofmeyer Mine	Dinwiddie County
<b>Chaney Enterprises LP</b>	Moss Neck Mine	Caroline County

## 2025 Mineral Mine Safety Awards

Eight companies were recognized for exceptional safety performance in calendar year 2024. Together, these mines logged 410,007 production hours, employed 226 workers, and produced more than 4.9 million tons of materials without a single lost-time injury.

### Quarry Operations

Company	Mine	Hours Work without Lost-Time Injury	Employees	Tonnage Mined
<b>Appalachian Aggregates LLC</b>	Glade Stone Plant	24,704	11	287,766
<b>Salem Stone Corporation</b>	#1 Sylvatus Quarry	47,175	17	440,520
<b>Luck Stone Corporation</b>	Rockville Plant	72,511	39	2,611,000
<b>E. Dillon &amp; Company</b>	#1 Quarry	112,977	69	666,944

### Open Pit Operations

Company	Mine	Hours Work without Lost-Time Injury	Employees	Tonnage Mined
<b>Vico Construction Co.</b>	SPPIT	4,899	19	90,190
<b>Stoney Creek Materials LLC</b>	Stoney Creek Mine	9,896	7	68,081
<b>Holcim-Mar, Inc.</b>	Rappahannock Farm	26,469	15	542,724
<b>USC Saltville Brine LLC</b>	Saltville Salt	111,376	49	208,109

Virginia Energy congratulates this year's winners and thanks the VTCA for its continued partnership in recognizing leadership in safety and reclamation. These awards reflect Virginia's commitment to a strong, sustainable mineral mining industry—one that safeguards workers, restores land, and empowers economic growth.

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