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**STI/SPFA Honors New Inductee in Century Club**

January 27, 2009, Lake Zurich, IL — STI/SPFA announced today that it recently recognized a new member of its Century Club. Steel water tanks earning the STI/SPFA Century Club Award have been in continuous use for 100 years or more.

There are just over 20 historic steel water tanks like the recent Award winner that have withstood the test of time. They are among the most identifiable structures in communities across America. Beyond their long service and high visibility, they also play an important role in ensuring the safety of community water supplies.

The most recent inductee is a steel water tank in Greenwood, MS that was erected in 1902, according to an embossed, metal plate affixed to the tank. A long-time member of STI/SPFA, Tex Enoch, Water Tank Market Manager for Induron Protective Coatings in Birmingham, AL traveled to Mississippi to present Greenwood Utilities employees with the Century Club Certificate honoring the 100,000 gallon tank. Enoch reported:

The care taken of the tank is symbolic of the pride that Greenwood has for their entire facility. Pat Richardson, the plant manager, has been with Greenwood Utilities for over 40 years. He told me that in the many years the tank has been in service, it has never been a problem and has always provided outstanding service. The concrete piers on which it stands were the only part of the installation that ever needed extensive repairs. He thinks it is “good to go” for at least another 50 years. It was a privilege to present this award on behalf of STI/SPFA to Greenwood Utilities.

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To learn more about Century Club honorees like Greenwood Utilities and view photographs of many Century Club Award tanks, please visit

<http://www.steeltank.com/Awards/CenturyClub/tabid/91/Default.aspx>.

The Steel Tank Institute and Steel Plate Fabricators Association are Divisions of STI/SPFA, an association serving companies fabricating steel tanks, piping and pressure vessels for use in the petroleum, food, water and chemical processing industries.

STI/SPFA provides training and certification, quality assurance inspections, develops industry standards, produces safety booklets, and serves as a liaison to regulatory and code authorities.

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