

Fictional Sample Nomination information

Please note the sample below is for illustration purposes only. The nominee, company and facts listed below are fictional.

- Please obtain the permission of nominees before submitting a nomination on their behalf.
- The 2019 Energy Efficiency Excellence Awards recognize achievements during the 2018 calendar year and cumulative accomplishment statements within a longer timeframe.

Supporting Material:

- You may include documents, letters of support and any information that illustrates, supports and/or quantifies information included in the nomination form.
- Supporting material may include, but is not limited to, concrete examples, testimonials, photos, promotional material, URLs of web pages, website analytics, social media metrics
- Data is kept confidential. No information will be published without the consent of the nominee.

Category

- Legacy Award**
- Innovation Award
- Partnership Award
- Community Award
- Rising Star Award
- Education Award

1. *Why should this nominee be recognized with an Energy Efficiency Excellence Award?*

Joanne Leger is an outstanding professional, mentor, and advocate. She has been a leader in the energy efficiency field since she began her career in the late 1980s. Since then she has been a visible proponent of implementing energy efficient building practices and in helping her clients and colleagues understand the value of investing in efficiency. Joanne has been an outstanding leader in the construction industry and is regularly called upon to share her experience and expertise.

2. *What has been the impact of this nominee's efforts?*

Joanne has generously given her time to mentor students through her work with the ABC University where she is often invited to share some of her successes and lessons learned over her 30 years in housing construction. She takes every opportunity to educate her clients and helps them understand the benefit of investing in efficiency and thinking of, not only the cost to build their home but the cost to operate it over the long term. She pioneered the practice of adding the super-efficient insulation

technique which is now common practice among builders in the province and has contributed to the Insulation Journal.

Joanne is a highly respected collaborator and there are many examples of successful projects that she has been a part of including the Main St Residential Complex and the Downtown Condo Development. She is dedicated to professional practices and continuing education of others. Besides the many group presentations and educational seminars she has led or participated in for decades, she is also recognized as one of the great mentors in the field. She regularly hires coop students and mentors young tradespeople. Dozens of students have gone into the field as a result of their experience working with Joanne and her company.

As well Joanne has been an active board member in several organizations where she has been a vocal advocate of energy efficient and sustainable building practices

3. What innovative efforts set this nominee apart (from an energy efficiency and conservation viewpoint)?

Joanne has been an innovator and pioneer in new home construction in the province. Her company works with its clients to negotiate financing and helps homeowners improve their rate of borrowing based on the sound investments in energy efficiency and progressive building techniques. She has also worked with the insurance industry in NB to make the case for lower rates due to efficient construction methods to ensure improved housing resiliency.

Under Joanne's leadership the Bangup Construction Company has lead the way in the implementation ENERGY STAR most-efficiency rated heating systems in the province and was recognized with a national award.

They were also the first to guarantee the efficiency of their builds based on modelled energy savings. If the homes did not save what was projected, homeowners received an incentive.

As well Bangup Construction was the first to sign on to the Zero Waste construction method. Joanne and her staff aim to minimize construction waste by donation, repurposing and practicing sound purchasing practices. Since 2005 they have reduced the amount of waste they have taken to the landfill by 83% or 45 tonnes!

4. How have these efforts engaged and inspired others to action?

Through her involvement in the Habitat for Humanity builds fellow volunteers have been inspired to bring these energy efficient and sustainable practices to their own businesses and homes. She has also been instrumental in creating new building standards for all Habitat build in New Brunswick which are

now being built to a higher efficiency standard while minimizing construction waste, resources and promoting sustainability.

5. *If this nominee could share one piece of WISDOM from his/her/their energy efficiency/energy use reduction experience what would it be?*

Joanne's philosophy is to approach each project with the aim to minimize its impact on the environment, meet the needs of her clients and to contribute to an increase focus on sustainability in construction.

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