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## Second Alexander Schwartz Award Presented

In November of 2016, the Reflective Insulation Manufacturers Association International (RIMA-I) established the "Alexander Schwartz Award". The recipient of this award will have made a significant contribution to the reflective products industry either through technical achievement, leadership, product development, and/or new technology. Through example, they have motivated industry representatives and advanced the reflective products industry and/or RIMA International and, in turn, contributed to the overall acceptance of reflective products within the building codes and in the overall marketplace. This prestigious award is only presented when deemed a valid candidate meets the outlined criteria and should be recognized for their significant contribution.

RIMA International has selected Mr. Robert (Bob) Wadsworth of Innovative Energy in Lowell, Indiana, as our second Alexander Schwartz Award recipient. Mr. Wadsworth has been engaged in the reflective insulation industry for over 35 years. He has been an active member of RIMA International, is a past president and has served on the board of directors and held every executive office position as well as chaired various committees and task groups over the years. He has conducted a number of seminars at different building industry conferences and trade shows; and he has most recently served as RIMA-I's Industry Expert fielding online questions and taking phone calls to assist the association in providing reliable information, resources and technical support.

Mr. Wadsworth passed away January 20<sup>th</sup> of this year. Accepting the award on his behalf was son-in-law Jonathon Hagarbome who now runs Innovative Energy with his wife, Bob's grand-daughter, Whitney. The presentation took place at the Fall RIMA International meetings held October 23-24, 2019 at the Magnolia Hotel in Houston, Texas. Past President Bobby Byrd presented the award to Mr. Hagarbome at Thursday's Membership Meeting.

It is an honor to recognize Mr. Wadsworth for all he has given to this industry and organization and for the friend he was to us all. He will be greatly missed.

*If you would like to learn more about Alexander Schwartz and/or know someone that should be considered for this award, click here or e-mail your recommendations to [rima@rima.net](mailto:rima@rima.net). Candidates can be an individual, company or organization.*

*The Reflective Insulation Manufacturer's Association International is a group of dedicated people working together to propagate the knowledge and use of reflective insulations and radiant barriers. RIMA-I has been the major force in establishing fair ASTM standards for testing and installation procedures. RIMA-I welcomes all who are interested in promoting and directing the growth of the industry. For more information about membership or the industry, please contact Executive Director Mary Edmondson at 800/279-4123 or visit us on our website at [www.rimainternational.org](http://www.rimainternational.org).)*

