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HBSEaler Names Builders FirstSource 2015 "Pro Dealer of the Year"

New York - Hardware + Building Supply Dealer, the building products and home improvement retailing magazine of Lebharr-Friedman Inc., selected Dallas-based Builders FirstSource as the 2015 Pro Dealer of the Year.

The annual award, selected by editors of Hardware + Building Supply Dealer, with the input of key suppliers and industry stakeholders, is designed to recognize a high-performance company with a commitment to best practices and the best values of the lumber and building material industry.

Builders FirstSource ended 2014 with a surge in sales to \$1.6 billion, as its bottom line made a dramatic swing to a profit. Even more dramatic was the company's 2015 announcement of a plan to acquire ProBuild Holdings - a deal which, when complete, will create the nation's largest LBM dealer.

The company will accept the award Oct. 28, on opening night of the three-day ProDealer Industry Summit at The Broadmoor in Colorado Springs, Colorado. The Summit is co-hosted by HBSEaler and the National Lumber and Building Material Dealers Association.

"It's certainly an honor to be selected for this award, and it's an honor that belongs to the many, many associates who serve our customers every day," said Chad Crow, President and CFO of Builders FirstSource. "Through the determination and commitment of our associates, were we able to manage through the recent housing downturn and emerge on the other side a stronger company. This award is for all of them. We could not be more excited to welcome all ProBuild associates to the BFS family and about what lies ahead for our combined company."

The Pro Dealer of the Year Award in recent years has been given to Meek's Lumber (2014), US LBM (2013) and BMC (2012). The award dates back to 1997.

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