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**ALPINE PAINTING AND SANDBLASTING CONTRACTORS  
HONORED BY PAINTING AND DECORATING CONTRACTORS OF AMERICA  
at the 2011 Painting & Decorating Expo**

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**Alpine Painting and Sandblasting Contractors** of Paterson, New Jersey was recognized with a 2011 Picture it Painted Professionally (PIPP) award from Painting and Decorating Contractors of America (PDCA). The PIPP Awards are presented for overall project excellence and superior craftsmanship. Awards were distributed in the following categories; Industrial, Commercial Restoration Exterior, Commercial Restoration Interior, Residential Restoration Interior, Residential Interior, Residential Decorative, Commercial Decorative, Commercial Interior, Commercial Exterior, Wallcovering, and Charity Project. **Alpine Painting and Sandblasting Contractors** won an award for the **Industrial** category. Details on their **American Water Short Hills Water Tank** project are listed below.

*The winning entry in the Industrial project category was completed by Alpine Painting and Sandblasting Contractors for their work on the American Water Short Hills Water Tank. The tank is constructed of welded steel, stands 35 feet high by 63 feet in diameter and is capable of holding 800,000 gallons of water. The site of the tank became the biggest challenge. The tank is located in the Millburn Protected Forested area and sits approximately 50 feet above street level. Since staging on the street was not allowed by the town, equipment had to be moved to the swamp-like area near the site. Five loads of crushed stone were used to create a stable staging area that was later removed to meet local requirements. Elaborate scaffolding and other tank preparation such as the removal of emergency services antenna were all part of this project. Antennas were kept active by attaching them to the scaffolding during the project.*

*Once the site was ready and the water was drained Alpine Painting and Sandblasting Company got to work coating the tank. The thorough set-up and persistence was worth the effort and the final result is a vastly improved resource for the local community. Congratulations to Alpine Painting & Sandblasting Contractors for their performance on this project.*

PDCA Chair Darylene Dennon stated “The Awards Luncheon at the 2011 Painting & Decorating Expo in Orlando was incredible. Each Award had its own set of criteria for the judges and selecting from so many candidates was not easy. It was my honor to announce the winners and hand them their awards. What a wonderful way to celebrate our industry”.

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