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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

#### **ABMA Announces the Women in the Boiler Industry (WIBI) Rising Star Award and Inaugural Recipient Carrie Murakami from Miura America Company**

**Vienna, VA – December 19, 2024** – The American Boiler Manufacturers Association (ABMA) is excited to announce the Women in the Boiler Industry (WIBI) Rising Star Award and inaugural recipient Carrie Murakami, National Inside Sales Assistant Manager from Miura America Company. ABMA has created this new opportunity for the WIBI professional community to facilitate more exposure for up-and-coming women in our industry to attend our events and WIBI functions to network with industry leaders, gain professional growth and insights into the latest developments in the boiler industry, and contribute to the advancement of our field.

Carrie has been selected as a guest of honor at the ABMA 2025 Annual Meeting and WIBI event. Carrie Murakami is recognized as the first woman ever chosen for this prestigious honor by the ABMA's WIBI initiative, shining a spotlight on the vital contributions of women in a field that has long been predominantly male.

With nearly a decade of experience at Miura America, Carrie's career exemplifies resilience, leadership, and innovation. She began her career in Quality Assurance as an Administrative Assistant and advanced through roles in Safety, General Affairs, and Business Development before becoming a key figure in Inside Sales. Along the way, Carrie has earned recognition for her commitment to delivering exceptional results, including being named Employee of the Month in both 2017 and again recently in 2023.

One of Carrie's stand-out qualities is her ability to deliver meaningful customer experiences, including outstanding factory tours that leave a lasting impression. Her attention to detail, ability to connect with people, and dedication to showcasing Miura's expertise have been instrumental in fostering strong relationships with customers and Miura's Representative Partners alike.

Carrie's recognition is a testament to her determination to break down barriers and elevate the visibility of women in the industry. Her journey underscores the importance of diverse voices in shaping the future of this vital field. Carrie's leadership and perseverance serve as an inspiration for women across the industry, and we look forward to seeing her continued impact.

ABMA, established in 1888, is a cornerstone organization for the boiler industry. Through advocacy, education, and connection-building, ABMA fosters growth and innovation across the industry. The WIBI initiative reflects ABMA's efforts to spotlight the achievements of women in our industry.

This milestone celebrates Carrie's exceptional contributions to the field and marks a significant step in acknowledging women's impact on the boiler industry. Her dedication to empowering others and fostering collaboration aligns seamlessly with the goals of ABMA's initiative. By



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celebrating Carrie's achievements, ABMA underscores its commitment to creating a more inclusive and innovative future for the boiler industry. Ultimately, ABMA's goal is for the WIBI Rising Star Award to serve as an inspiration for women across the boiler industry. For more details about WIBI and ABMA, please visit [www.ABMA.com](http://www.ABMA.com) For more details about WIBI and ABMA, please visit [www.ABMA.com](http://www.ABMA.com).

### **About ABMA**

Since our founding in 1888, the American Boiler Manufacturers Association (ABMA) has advocated for the safe production and operation of boilers, facilitated advances in energy efficiency, and provided solutions for our member companies. Throughout our history, the boiler industry and our member base have relied on the ABMA to lead the industry as it tackles challenges and embraces opportunities in our constantly evolving sector. Through participation with ABMA, our members are better informed, connected, and positioned to thrive in today's global boiler industry. To learn more, please visit [www.ABMA.com](http://www.ABMA.com).

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