October 1, 2012 - Madison, WI) – Leonardo Academy President Michael Arny received a recognition award from the Coalition for Responsible Fire Protection, “For Leadership and Vision in Responsible Fire Protection.” The award was presented by Tom Gillmore, one of the founders of the Coalition, during their annual meeting in Toledo, Ohio on September 5, 2012.

The Coalition for Responsible Fire Protection is dedicated to maintaining high effectiveness of fire protection while reducing the environmental impacts. Michael Arny is the chair of the committee that is developing the Contractors Guide to Responsible Fire Protection that will help fire protection contractors reduce their environmental impacts, track these achievements and communicate them to their customers and potential customers. This guide will also provide a framework to make it easy for purchasers of fire protection products and services to request information about the environmental performance of providers.

Michael Arny noted, “Leonardo Academy works to put the competitive market to work on improving the environment. We are proud to have been deeply involved in the development and implementation of the highly successful U.S. Green Building Council LEED® rating system, and we see participation in the Coalition for Responsible Fire Protection as an important opportunity to foster green achievements in the fire suppression component of the building industry.”

For more information visit the Leonardo Academy web site at www.leonardoacademy.org or the Coalition for Responsible Fire Protection web site at: www.responsiblefireprotection.org