**Topcon accepts John Deere Supplier   
Innovation Award**

*LIVERMORE, Calif., U.S./ CAPELLE A/D IJSSEL, the Netherlands – May 14, 2019 –* Topcon Positioning Systems has been selected as a recipient of the John Deere Innovation award for 2018. The Innovation awards are part of Deere & Company’s Achieving Excellence program. The Livermore-based company received the honor for demonstrating innovation in development of the SmartGrade™ mastless grade control system for John Deere motor graders. Sam Negasc, Topcon director of quality assurance, along with Rhondy Rahardja, Nick Petrosov, and Irfan Usman from Topcon accepted the recognition during formal ceremonies held on April 16, 2019 in Bettendorf, Iowa.

Murray Lodge, SVP of Topcon Construction, said, “We are proud to have collaborated with John Deere to deliver a differentiated product to the market that maximizes speed and control for motor graders. Topcon is committed to being one step ahead in providing solutions at the forefront of technological innovation for growing infrastructure needs.”

Innovation award selections are based on four factors – creativity, feasibility, collaboration and bottom-line impact. John Deere Supply Management created the Achieving Excellence program in 1991 to provide a supplier evaluation and feedback process that promotes continuous improvement.

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