



### **Fireline Named Baltimore's 11<sup>th</sup> Largest Women Owned Business by Baltimore Business Journal**

BALTIMORE, Md. (September, 5 2014) – For the fourth year in a row Fireline has been listed in the Top 50 Largest Women Owned Businesses in Baltimore by the Baltimore Business Journal. The BBJ releases this list annually, basing their calculation on previous year revenue.

“It is always exciting to be recognized on a BBJ List alongside many other powerful companies in our community,” says Fireline President Anna Gavin, “It is especially interesting to see that most of the companies on this list are not what many would consider typical ‘women’ businesses. I am pleased to see construction, engineering and technology heavily featured. It tells me that women are making their mark on an increasingly broader spectrum of businesses.” Fireline Corporation has been women owned since 2010 and currently holds certifications with Baltimore City and the Women’s Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC).

#### **About The Fireline Corporation**

The Fireline Corporation was founded in 1947 by John S. Waters as one of the first companies in the nation to specialize in the fire equipment distribution and service business. Now one of the largest portables and special systems distributors in the country with more than 160 employees, Fireline is headquartered in Baltimore and operates an office in Leesburg, Va. Instrumental in the development of the industry nationally, John Waters helped to create the National Association of Fire Equipment Distributors (NAFED) and was elected as the organization’s third president in 1965; his son Stephen, Fireline’s president from 1982 to 2009, served as NAFED president from 1985 to 1987. Fireline is also a member of the Fire Suppression Systems Association (FSSA), the American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE) and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). For more information, call 410-247-1422 or visit [www.fireline.com](http://www.fireline.com)

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