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1 Blue Ridge Energy, based in North Carolina, reopened its district office lobbies in early October, saying it was taking special measures to protect visitors and employees during the COVID-19 pandemic. Shane Absher, energy specialist, was ready to welcome visitors.

2 Suburban Propane Partners honored Pennsylvania resident Jason Trotter, an operations manager at its Philadelphia/Telford location, as its 2020 SuburbanCares Award Winner. Trotter, who also serves as a volunteer firefighter, helped save two lives in January when he responded to a severe single-

vehicle accident. Trotter helped rescue two high school girls who were trapped in a car. Here, Trotter receives the award from Suburban Propane spokesperson Nandini Sankara.

3 Dead River Co., of South Portland, Maine, acquired the heating oil, propane and service business of Fortier & Son of Somersworth, New Hampshire. From left are Tom Corbett and Griffin Sharp of Dead River, and Bob and Deb Fortier of Fortier & Son. Cetane Associates served as the sole arranger and financial adviser to Fortier & Son. See page 10 for more about the deal.

4 Gas Equipment Co.'s (GEC) Russ Ridings was ready for retirement, judging by his hat. The vice president retired at the end of September after 40 years with GEC, a warehouse distributor of in-process, transfer and control equipment for oil and gas producers, transporters and LP gas marketers.

INDUSTRY IMAGES

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