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Mayor Harvey Hall presenting award to Bryan Porter

Viscon California, LLC (Viscon) is proud to announce that it was awarded Employer of the Year for Small Business by the Helping Incorporate Reliable Employees (HIRE). The honor was awarded on October 3, 2013 at a luncheon held at Aera Energy. The award ceremony was to recognize employers, employees, and individuals who have championed the cause of equal opportunity and independence for people with disabilities.

HIRE is a public-private partnership which brings together job seekers with disabilities throughout our community. The Master of Ceremonies was the Bakersfield Mayor, Honorable Mayor Harvey Hall.

According to Mayor Hall, "The way we've been successful as The HIRE Committee is by establishing a network of community agencies where information is shared and connections are made that lead to employment for people with disabilities."

Viscon was nominated for the award by Valley Adult Services (VAS). According to the 2012 census 51.2 million people in America had some level of disability. VAS Supported Employment Program provides individual or group employment services including job development and job coaching to adults with developmental disabilities. Viscon contacted VAS three years ago for help hiring a person with developmental disabilities. Since that time Viscon, with the help of VAS, has employed an individual at its facility.

