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NAPLES, FLORIDA – The Conveyor Equipment Manufacturers Association (CEMA) reports that 2020 Industry shipments in North America decreased 9.0%. CEMA estimates that shipments totaled \$15.1 billion for 2020, a decrease of \$1.5 billion from 2019 shipments of \$16.6 billion.

CEMA estimates that 2020 Industry orders in North America decreased 4.2%. CEMA further estimates that orders totaled \$15.5 billion for 2020, a decrease of \$0.8 billion from 2019 orders of \$16.3 billion.

The CEMA membership outpaced the Industry and reports that 2020 orders increased 30.2% and shipments in North America increased 7.4%.

CEMA member Unit Handling orders were up 43.2% and shipments were up 14.1%. In the Bulk Conveying area, CEMA member orders were down 9.6% and shipments were down 12.4%.

CEMA President, Noel Bell, announced these results during the Association's 88th (Virtual) Annual Meeting held earlier this month.

CEMA tracks new orders and shipped sales volume in nine classes of unit handling equipment and four classes of bulk handling equipment.

The executives representing CEMA member companies that attended the annual meeting expressed optimism for 2021 driven by strong late-year (2020) orders and forecasted that shipments will be up by 10% in 2021.

Founded in 1933, CEMA is the industry leader in safety and technical standards. CEMA has safety labels for all types of conveyor equipment available for purchase by member and nonmember companies. It also has available for purchase numerous design standards, manuals, and technical information, which include:

- *Belt Conveyors for Bulk Materials 7th Edition (2nd Printing)*- "The Belt Book"
- *Bucket Elevator Book Best Practices in Design*
- *CEMA Application Guide for Unit Handling Conveyors 2nd Edition* - "The Unit Book".

These publications are authoritative technical manuals for conveyor design worldwide. Some publications are also available in Spanish and Portuguese.

For more information about CEMA, "The Voice of the Conveyor Industry of the Americas," its member companies, or to order safety labels or publications, please visit CEMA's website at www.cemanet.org