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2010 FICE Engineering Excellence Awards – Grand Conceptor Recipient

MARCO ISLAND –The Florida Institute of Consulting Engineers (FICE) presented the 2010 Engineering Excellence Awards on Friday, August 6, 2010 in Marco Island, FL. The presentation recognized five firms with six awards and presented the third annual Grand Conceptor Award to MWH Americas Inc., Tampa Office for the Peace River Reservoir II in DeSoto County. The Grand Conceptor is presented to one of the Grand Award Recipients that the EEA judges deemed best overall.

The 2010 FICE competition yielded six state winners, which were submitted to the national American Council of Engineering Companies for the national phase of this competition. The 2010 Grand Award Recipients included AECOM, Orlando office for Downtown Dadeland Parking Basements in Miami; CDM, West Palm Beach office for Biosolids Pelletization Facility in West Palm Beach; McKim & Creed, Clearwater office for Lake Manatee Water Treatment Plant Pilot Plant Study in Manatee County; MWH Americas, Tampa office for Peace River Reservoir II in DeSoto County; Reynolds, Smith & Hills Inc., Tallahassee office for Florida Traffic Online, statewide Florida; and Reynolds, Smith & Hills Inc., Fort Lauderdale office for I-595 Shared Use-Drainage in Broward County.

Engineering Excellence is an annual design competition that recognizes engineering achievements which demonstrate the highest degree of merit and ingenuity. The program gives Florida engineering firms a chance to showcase the praiseworthy work of engineers who are the backbone of their companies' success, and provides immeasurable publicity, which helps to further strengthen their client base. Entries are rated on the basis of original or innovative application of new or existing techniques; future value to the engineering profession; social, economic, and sustainable design considerations; complexity; and how successfully the project exceeds the needs, including time and budget constraints, of the client/owner.

FICE represents 350 consulting engineering firms throughout the state. FICE is affiliated with the American Council of Engineering Companies and the National Society of Professional Engineers. FICE works to promote the professional, ethical, economic and social interests of the engineering profession in Florida.

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