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CISCO ANNOUNCES 2011 PROJECT OF THE YEAR WINNERS

Oak Brook, Illinois— The Construction Industry Service Corporation (CISCO) announced its Project of the Year award winners today as part of its annual Pride in Construction Award Program. The program, which recognizes the top quality union construction projects in four categories, also honors the efforts of an area educator, Illinois public body and labor conciliator. A formal presentation to the winners is scheduled at the association's annual breakfast meeting on January 27, 2012 at Maggiano's Little Italy in Schaumburg, Illinois.

“While the signals of recovery remain slow and consistent in the Chicagoland area, it hasn't had an effect on the quality of projects we have seen this year, and that is a tribute to the construction industry,” said CISCO Executive Director John Brining. “It again demonstrates that the union construction industry still produces the best product anywhere in the world. We are proud to recognize these projects, organizations and individuals for this prestigious award.”

The individual winners in the Pride in Construction Program were:

- Educator of the Year, Ken Ross, Teacher/Instructor, York High School
- Labor Conciliator of the Year, Dale Conaway, Illinois Department of Labor
- Public Body of the Year, Illinois State Toll Highway Authority, to be accepted by Executive Director Kristi Lafleur

The Project of the Year award for *New Construction - Chicago* went to the Public Building Commission of Chicago's entry of Engine Company 109 Firehouse/Little Village Library. The unique concept has the two structures sharing a campus site on the 2301 block of

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South Kedzie in Chicago's Little Village neighborhood. In addition, the two buildings share sustainable site features including a combined wellfield geothermal system. The Public Building Commission of Chicago on behalf of the Chicago Fire Department and Public Library teamed with General Contractor Sollitt/Oakley Joint Venture; co-architects DLR Group and Harley Ellis Devereaux; and mechanical engineers Primera Engineering.

Winning in the category of *New Construction – Suburbs* was Elmhurst Hospital's new replacement facility. The 50-acre integrated healthcare campus included more than 1 million square feet of buildings, and opened in July 2011. The project was delivered on-time and under-budget using more than 2,000 tradesmen and a total of 2.1 million man hours. In addition, the facility provides jobs for 3,000 healthcare workers and an additional 600 physicians.

Elmhurst Memorial Healthcare hired the services of General Contractor Gilbane Building Company. The design architect was Pratt Design Studios and the architect of record was Albert Kahn Associates. The lead engineering firm was Korda/Nemeth Engineering.

Among *Rehabilitation* projects, the \$90 million renovation of Navistar's new headquarters in Lisle was the top vote-getter. The project involved the former 1.2 million square-foot Lucent Technologies facility with nine interconnected buildings on 87 acres. Construction upgrades included a new 8,000 square-foot gallery at the main entrance, a 15,000 square-foot Technology Design Center, and numerous improvements to parking lots, landscaping and retro-commissioning mechanical and electric repairs as part of installing a new Building Automation System.

More than 2,000 tradesmen have worked on the Navistar project through more than 100 different union subcontractors. Owner Navistar Inc. hired Design Builder Duke Realty which teamed with architect Partners By Design, Inc. and engineers Environmental Systems Design and Structures Unlimited.

The top *Residential Construction* project chosen was Park Douglas, a 19-building multi-family assignment consisting of 137 units scattered throughout Chicago's West Side. Eighteen of the buildings are three-stories along with a single-story LEED management office. Each building is Energy Star certified, and Park Douglas meets Chicago's Green Homes Program standards making use of local salvageable materials.

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The owner/client was a joint venture among Brinshore Development, LLC; Michaels Development Company and the Sinai Community Institute. This group teamed with General Contractor McShane Construction Company; architects PappageorgeHaymes Partners and Koo and Associates Ltd. (P&K); and engineers Prism Engineering, Inc. and Virgilio & Associates, Ltd.

Each submitted entry was judged with regard to quality of construction, design, safety and its impact on the community.

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Founded in 1988, the Construction Industry Service Corporation, CISCO, is a labor-management group that brings together unions of the building trades and construction contractor associations representing more than 140,000 construction workers and 8,000 union contractors in the six-county Chicago metropolitan area.