

AUI CONTRACTORS RECEIVES NATIONAL EXCELLENCE IN CONSTRUCTION AWARD FROM ABC

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FORT WORTH, Texas, June 18, 2008 - Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) today announced that AUI Contractors' work on the BNSF Intermodal Facility Expansion in Haslet, Texas, has earned the company first place in the Infrastructure/Heavy category of ABC's Excellence in Construction Awards. AUI's representatives received the award June 18 during the 18th annual Excellence in Construction Awards celebration at the National Building Museum in Washington, D.C.

"ABC congratulates AUI for its exceptional work on the BNSF Intermodal Facility," said Kirk Pickerel, ABC president and CEO. "This project is an outstanding example of the innovation and commitment to superior craftsmanship that embody merit shop construction. It is a pleasure to honor this project with the association's top construction excellence award."

ABC designed the national Excellence in Construction program to recognize excellent performance in the merit shop construction field. The award honors all construction team members, including the contractor, owner, architect and engineer. This year's competition was open to all construction projects completed by ABC member firms during 2007. The winning projects were selected from entries submitted from across the nation and were judged on complexity, attractiveness, unique challenges overcome, completion time, workmanship, innovation, safety and cost.

During seven months and 91,000 manhours of work, AUI completed this intermodal facility expansion—safely building two main line bridges and a retaining wall—on time and on budget.

A panel of industry experts served as the competition's judges. This year's panel included representatives from the Design-Build Institute of America, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the American Institute of Architects and National Institute of Building Sciences.

About AUI Contractors

Headquartered in Fort Worth, Texas, AUI Contractors is a full-service civil and commercial general contractor serving the public and private sectors and has completed more than 700 construction projects since 1983. AUI's commercial services include design-build construction, construction management services and facilities development. The company's civil services include site development, road construction, heavy civil contracting projects, parks and trail development. AUI has approximately 260 employees and annual revenues of \$120 million. For more information on AUI, please visit www.auicontractors.com.

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