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Five Companies' Projects Awarded "Project of the Year" by Construction Management Association of America's Houston Chapter

On Monday, November 11, the Houston Chapter of the Construction Management Association of America (CMAA) held its annual Hardhatters Gala and Excellence Awards. Two projects from Five Companies received the prestigious title of "Project of the Year" for Water/Wastewater Projects:

"Project of the Year, Water/Wastewater (Horizontal) Project greater than \$100M" was awarded to the Northeast Transmission Line Construction Program Management for the City of Houston, and **"Project of the Year, Water/Wastewater (Plant) Project greater than \$100M"** was awarded to the North Harris County Regional Water Authority's Alan Rendl Regional Pump Station.

"This has been the goal of Five Companies since the beginning: work together to deliver projects that positively impact the community, so we are beyond excited about these awards," states Five Companies' Principal, Mark Boyer. *"We've assembled a pretty amazing team and are so fortunate to have been a part of these incredible projects as Five Companies."*

Five Companies, LLC was formed in 2018 by three Houston-based civil construction firms: Boyer, Inc., mc2 civil, inc., and Reytec Construction Resources, Inc. to support large civil construction projects in the Texas Gulf Coast area. Under this partnership, the firms leverage over 150 years of combined industry experience and a workforce of more than 650 to serve its clients.

Project details:

Project: Northeast Transmission Line Construction Program Management

Award: Project of the Year, Water/Wastewater (Horizontal) Project greater than \$100M

Currently the nation's largest progressive design-build water plant project, the City of Houston's Northeast Water Purification Plant (NEWPP) expansion project consisted of two design-build phases to expand the plant's capacity from 80 million gallons per day (MGD) to 400 MGD by 2024. The expansion project, valued at \$1.8 billion, will help the City and water authorities meet water demands and fulfill Harris-Galveston and Fort Bend Subsidence District requirements restricting groundwater usage. The four partner agencies involved in the project include: North Harris County Regional Water Authority, Central Harris County Regional Water Authority, West Harris County Regional Water Authority and North Fort Bend Water Authority. Five Companies was selected to complete the yard piping construction for the NEWPP. Under this contract, Five Companies worked with PLW Waterworks to install 121,000 LF of water line, including large diameter water lines from 84" to 120".

Project Team:

Owner: Houston Public Works

Program Design Management: LAN

Program Construction Management: KCI Technologies

Contractors: Five Companies, LLC; mc2 civil; and Harper Brothers Construction

Project: Alan Rendl Regional Pump Station

Award: Project of the Year, Water/Wastewater (Plant) Project greater than \$100M

The Alan Rendl Regional Pump Station is part of the NHCRWA's surface water supply and transmission program. Construction included building a new 40.3-MGD finished water pumping station. The work included connecting to a surface water transmission main, a new pump station building, and installing two 14,000-gallon-per-minute (GPM) and two 7,000-gpm horizontal split-case centrifugal pumps with associated discharge piping, and a hydropneumatic system for connection to the surface water distribution system. Other work items included a new stormwater detention pond and outfall structure, two 12.5-MGD Ground Storage Tanks, chemical storage and feed system, new maintenance building, a medium-voltage electrical service with related buildings and equipment for power distribution, distributed generation and motor control, sanitary sewer lift station and off-site force main, and associated HVAC, plumbing, and incidental utilities.

Project Team:

Owner: North Harris County Regional Water Authority

Program Design Management: AECOM

Engineer: Gannett Fleming

Construction Management and Inspection: Freese & Nichols

Contractor: Five Companies, LLC

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