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J&L Steel Erectors Awarded I-35W Bridge Reconstruction Contract

Maple Grove, Minnesota (November 15, 2007) –J&L Steel Erectors, Inc. was awarded the contract to install all reinforcement steel and post-tensioning materials in the new I-35W St. Anthony Falls Bridge. J&L Steel Erectors was selected by Flat Iron Manson, a Joint Venture, to be a key subcontractor in the project. The original bid was based on 17 million pounds of reinforcement steel and the post-tensioning component has since been added.

“We are pleased to have an opportunity to work on such a critical transportation project for the State of Minnesota,” said CEO LouAnne Reger. She continued by saying, “Our 30 years of experience and the quality of our people will be great assets to the project”. Mike Reger and Bennie Berg were both named Project Manager for J&L Steel Erectors on the effort. Also, Ron Berg is the Senior Estimator and Jim Boatwright is the Field Superintendent for the project.

Construction began on the bridge in November of 2007. Crews will be asked to go above and beyond the normal expectations by working two-12 hours shifts, seven days a week until the project is completed in December of 2008. Much of J&L Steel Erectors scope of work is on the critical path of the construction schedule. LouAnne Reger said, “Our crews have the skill and determination necessary to meet the unique challenges of this project”.

The tragic collapse of the bridge on August 1, 2007 has put this high profile project in both the local and national spotlight.

About J&L Steel Erectors, Inc. - J&L Steel Erectors, Inc. has been installing reinforcing and structural steel in commercial and highway construction projects for more than 30 years. J&L Steel Erectors is a certified woman-owned business, headquartered in Maple Grove, Minnesota.

The company has worked on high profile projects such as the Xcel Energy Center, 494 Wakota Bridge, Minnesota Science Museum, Hiawatha Light Rail Transit, Highway 212 Expansion and the Minneapolis Convention Center.

J&L Steel Erectors is lead by CEO and President, LouAnne Reger. In 2007, The *Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal* placed J&L Steel Erectors among the top 25 women-owned businesses.

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