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John E. Barrett Honored with SEAOI's Prestigious John Parmer Award

Chicago, IL – June 9, 2010 – John E. Barrett, PE, SE, Vice Chairman of Bowman, Barrett & Associates (BB&A), was honored with the John Parmer Award from the Structural Engineers Association of Illinois (SEAOI). The award was presented during SEAOI's Annual Excellence in Structural Engineering Awards Banquet June 5 at Murphy Auditorium of the American College of Surgeons in Chicago.

The Award is presented each year to a structural engineer in recognition of outstanding contributions in the field of structural engineering whose distinguished career is acknowledged by peers to be an example of excellence.

As the co-founder (along with Louis Bowman) of BB&A, Barrett has 60 years of experience in the industry, and has led hundreds of projects to become one of the nation's foremost experts on railroad bridge design.

Barrett is a Life Member of the American Railway Maintenance-of-Way Engineering Association (AREMA), Past Chairman of Committee 15: Steel Structures, and currently a member of Committee 9: Seismic Design for Railway Structures. He is a Fellow of the American Society of Civil Engineers, and a member of SEAOI, among other organizations. He is an Illinois Licensed Structural Engineer and a Licensed Professional Engineer in 16 states.

Bowman, Barrett & Associates Inc. is a full service engineering firm founded by Louis Bowman and John Barrett in 1989. With over 75 professionals on staff, BB&A provides planning, design, and construction management services for airports, buildings, highways, and railroads.

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