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BAXTER & WOODMAN ANNOUNCES: STATE'S FIRST INSTALLATION OF ROTARY PRESS TECHNOLOGY WINS ACEC MERIT AWARD

[March 9, 2010. CRYSTAL LAKE, IL] Baxter & Woodman, Inc., Consulting Engineers received a Merit Award from the American Council of Engineering Companies of Illinois at the Thirty-Ninth Annual Engineering Excellence Awards Competition. The Marseilles North Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Project was recognized for excellence in engineering before an audience of over 200 engineers, clients and government officials at a recent awards luncheon in Springfield, IL. The ACEC competition recognizes outstanding projects designed by private practice engineering firms from the State of Illinois.

Public Works leaders from the City of Marseilles and Baxter & Woodman wastewater engineers teamed up to evaluate, prepare specifications and observe installation of a rotary sludge press to dewater sludge from the wastewater treatment process during the winter months. The Fournier Rotary Press has a smaller footprint and was determined more cost-effective and energy efficient than a traditional belt press. The rotary sludge dewatering press was selected and became the first installation of its kind in Illinois and the second in the Midwest

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