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JOE DUNCAN, PE, RECEIVES YOUNG ENGINEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Joe Duncan, PE, a senior project manager with Bolton & Menk in Mankato, has received the 2005 Young Engineer of the Year Award from the Minnesota Society of Professional Engineers (MSPE). The award was presented to Joe at the MSPE Annual Meeting on May 5-6, 2005 at Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge in Deerwood, MN.

The Young Engineer of the Year Award is given annually to recognize the outstanding achievements of a licensed MSPE member under the age of 35. Joe serves as the city engineer for several area communities and as a project manager for various private and retail developers. He has been an involved member of MSPE's Traverse Des Sioux chapter for many years, participating in the chapter's annual MATHCOUNTS meet and fundraising efforts.

Joe is also an adjunct professor in the newly-accredited civil engineering program at Minnesota State University Mankato, where he taught hydraulics and hydrology to the first class of graduating seniors. Joe is also an active volunteer with Sertoma, a non-profit organization that sponsors programs for the speech and hearing impaired, and with Junior Achievement, which helps young people explore career opportunities. Finally, Joe received the W.R. "Bill" Coffin Memorial Public Service Award from MSPE in 2003 in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the engineering profession and the citizens of Minnesota.

The Minnesota Society of Professional Engineers is the only engineering society that represents individual engineering professionals and licensed professional engineers (PEs) across all disciplines. Founded in 1939, MSPE strengthens the engineering profession by promoting engineering licensure and ethics, enhancing the engineer's image, advocating and protecting PEs' legal rights at the state and national levels, publishing news of the profession, providing continuing education opportunities and much more. MSPE serves over 1,000 members and the public through nine state chapters.