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Press Release

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Local Firm Awarded \$2.5 Million Retro-Commissioning Contract to Improve Energy Performance and Indoor Air Quality of VA Hospitals.

LENEXA, KS – Engineering Economics, Inc. (EEI), a national engineering consulting firm located in Lenexa, KS has been awarded a \$2.5 million contract funded by American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) dollars. Through the GSA, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) recently announced they were in need of a retro-commissioning provider for six VA hospitals located in Wichita, Kansas City, Topeka, Leavenworth, Columbia and St. Louis. Due to the size of the project, EEI will be partnering with local contractors and adding additional staff, creating jobs for the local communities. An assessment of the sites will be performed by EEI focusing on mechanical, electrical, plumbing and automation systems. EEI will identify and recommend "low cost" / "no cost" Energy Cost Savings Measures (ECMs).

Retro-commissioning is the application of the commissioning process to an existing facility to optimize the performance of the building systems within their current configurations. Who benefits? Everyone. Owners see reduced operating costs, which can lead to an increase in net operating income. Building managers receive fewer occupant complaints and improved ability to manage systems. Building operations and maintenance personnel receive system training and improved documentation, and building occupants receive improved air quality and are generally more comfortable and therefore more productive.

EEI is a national engineering consulting firm, specializing in energy management, energy conservation, building commissioning, retro-commissioning, facility assessments and LEED® services. EEI is an Energy Star Partner and currently has 69 employees in 13 offices strategically located throughout the United States to better serve our clients. The firm is pleased to be a service partner to Fortune 500 and nationally recognized organizations such as Pfizer, Boeing, Amazon, Microsoft, Verizon and numerous university and hospital systems across the United States.

More information on EEI and its projects can be found on the firm's website at www.eeiengineers.com.

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