

OUTSTANDING CIVIL ENGINEER – DENNIS M. NEIDIGH, P.E.

This year's Outstanding Civil Engineer, Denny Neidigh, has served his country, state, city and profession with honor and distinction for more than 40 years. Soon after receiving his B.S. degree in Civil Engineering from Purdue in 1963, Denny served as an officer with the United States Navy in the Pacific for two years. He then returned to Indianapolis and worked as a highway engineer, first with the Indiana State Highway Commission (now INDOT) and then with the Mass Transportation Authority of Greater Indianapolis. Denny's career then took him to the Indianapolis Department of Transportation where he worked first as a plan development engineer and then chief engineer from 1974 through 1979.

Denny then joined Reid, Quebe, Allison, Wilcox & Associates (now RQAW) where he was manager of the South Bend branch office and Director of Transportation Engineering from 1979 until 1988. During this period, Denny directed a \$160 million dollar upgrade on the Indiana Toll Road. Denny's next stop was the MSE Corporation, where he was Vice President of Engineering from 1988 until 1997.

He then returned to the City of Indianapolis where he served as Director of both the Department of Public Works and the Department of Capital Asset Management until January, 2000. Denny then became CEO of Engineering Design and Inspection Services, which was acquired in 2004 by Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, where he currently serves as Group Manager for Highway and Bridge Services.

Denny's service to ASCE has been extensive. He has served as President of both the Indianapolis Metropolitan Branch and the Indiana Section of ASCE. He has also served as Chairman of the District 9 Council of ASCE. He was President of the Consulting Engineers of Indiana (now ACEC Indiana) and was named by ACEC Indiana as Engineer of the Year in 1996. Denny is an Elder in the 91st Street Christian Church and a member of the Institute of Transportation Engineers and the downtown Kiwanis Club of Indianapolis.

He is married to Posie, his wife of 39 years. They have two sons, Mike and Chip, who are both here today with their wives, Barbara and Kim, and six grandchildren.

Denny is a registered Professional Engineer and a registered Professional Land Surveyor. He has consistently discharged his professional responsibilities with honesty and integrity. Denny is a true gentleman and a credit to our profession. It is my honor and privilege to present the 2008 Outstanding Civil Engineer Award to my long-time friend, Dennis M. Neidigh, P.E.