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Augusta's Rick Toole to Receive National Community Service Award

WASHINGTON, D.C.—William “Rick” Toole, president, W.R. Toole Engineers, Inc., in Augusta, Ga. will be presented a 2013 Community Service Award from the American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) at its upcoming Fall Conference being held October 27-30 in Scottsdale, Az.

The national award recognizes a principal or manager of an ACEC member firm who has made outstanding contributions to the quality of life in his or her community.

Toole has a lengthy and impressive record of community activism in the Augusta region. He has been chairman of his American Red Cross and United Way chapters, and is a board member of the Metro Augusta Chamber of Commerce; the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce, and the Greater Augusta Sports Council. As a true community leader, he on several occasions has represented his region in testimony before Congress for initiatives such as “Progress and Plans for Technology Reinvestment and Development” on behalf of the Southeastern Technology Center; and “Strategies for Economic Growth” on behalf of the Savannah River Site Community Reuse Organization.

Toole also sits on the Wells-Fargo Bank Advisory Board, has chaired Augusta’s downtown branding campaign; is a member of the Augusta task force for development of downtown baseball stadium, is a member of the Augusta Police Citizen’s Advisory Committee; and was director of race operations for the Augusta Invitational Rowing Regatta.

The American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) is the business association of America’s engineering industry, representing more than 5,000 independent engineering companies throughout the United States engaged in the development of America’s transportation, environmental, industrial, and other infrastructure. Founded in 1909 and headquartered in Washington, D.C., ACEC is a national federation of 51 state and regional organizations.