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#### 1. New State Architect named

The Dept. of Administrative Services is pleased to announce the appointment of Craig Weise, AIA, CCM, PMP, as the new State Architect. For the past four years, Craig has served as deputy chief of projects for the Ohio School Facilities Commission (OSFC). During this time he has been involved with managing the \$1 billion per year OSFC construction program, negotiating and contracting construction management services, training school facilities project administrators and auditing OSFC contractors for contract compliance. Prior to this position, Craig was a project administrator with OSFC and worked as an architect for various Ohio and Michigan private firms.

Craig, who started as State Architect on Oct. 1, is a Certified Construction Manager (CCM) and past president of the northern Ohio chapter of the Construction Management Association of America. He also is a Project Management Professional (PMP) and a registered architect in the states of Ohio and Wisconsin. His educational background includes master's degrees in architecture and engineering from the University of Michigan, and a master's in business administration from the University of Wisconsin.

Craig's first goal in his new job is to build relationships. "I want to ensure the State Architect's Office is focused on the needs of our clients first. We will be working to strengthen relationships with agencies and other entities tied to state government such as colleges and universities," Craig said.

"Additionally, our team will be looking for every possible way to manage the office and its resources to the bottom line of providing first-rate service to our state partners."

#### 2. Standard Requirements update

We will be releasing several minor changes to the Standard Requirements this month. We received a request to update the language regarding the affirmative action program, and those changes are in the Instructions to Bidders as well as the General Conditions.

In addition, we are modifying the language in subparagraph 11.2.2, which addresses Builder's Risk Renovations and Installation Floater insurance coverage. The DAS Risk Management Office has negotiated this coverage into the Builder's Risk policy that covers all state agencies, regardless of who is administering the project. The colleges and universities are not covered by this policy and are unaffected by the language revision.

We also will add language in Article 2 of the General Conditions, which prepares the way for use of the State's Web-based Project Management System, known as the Capital Improvements Management System (CIMS).

There are a few address changes to the plan rooms in the Solicitation and the Version Control Document continues to provide a detailed list of all changes to the documents since their initial release in April.

Special Services Manager Lane Beougher will present an overview of the Standard Requirements at a joint meeting of the Akron-Canton Chapter of the Construction Specifications Institute and the Akron Chapter of the American Institute of Architects on Oct. 25. State Architect Craig Weise also will be in attendance. For additional information about this event, visit [www.akroncantoncsi.org](http://www.akroncantoncsi.org).

If your organization would like to invite SAO to discuss the Standard Requirements or its other policies and procedures, please contact Lane Beougher at 614.752.0013 or e-mail him at [lane.beougher@das.state.oh.us](mailto:lane.beougher@das.state.oh.us).

### 3. New RFQ process begins in November

Beginning in November, the Ohio Register will no longer be a monthly publication. Instead, Requests for Qualifications (RFQs) will be published on an individual, ongoing basis, with varying deadlines for submissions. Interested parties will still access the Ohio Register online from the SAO Web site at [www.ohio.gov/sao](http://www.ohio.gov/sao) (then click on "Ohio Register").

This change to the RFQ process is a precursor to additional enhancements that will be made as a result of the new Capital Improvements Management System (CIMS). CIMS is a Web-based project management system that will be available to all state agencies and state-supported colleges and universities as well as SAO. It is estimated that, when fully implemented in mid-2008, this system will save the state approximately \$2.4 million annually.

For more information about the Ohio Register and the new RFQ process, please contact Ohio Register Editor Angie Carder at 614.752.0448 or e-mail her at [angie.carder@das.state.oh.us](mailto:angie.carder@das.state.oh.us).

### 4. Edison Community College building receives AIA Ohio honor award

AIA Ohio, a society of the American Institute of Architects, announced its 2007 design awards at their annual convention in September. The Collaborative, Inc., an architectural firm in Toledo, Ohio, received the AIA Ohio honor award for newly completed buildings, additions, remodelings, renovations and restorations for the Edison Community College Regional Center of Excellence.

Completed in May, the \$6.4 million, 34,670 square-foot building for Edison Community College houses a new library, an Allied Health laboratory, classrooms and student support services. The project was designed to comply with the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design rating system. The State Architect's Office provided project management for the project while Danis Building Construction Company of Miamisburg, Ohio, served as the general contractor.

The AIA Ohio awards program honors Ohio architects and their clients who have distinguished themselves by their accomplishments. For more information about the Edison Community College project, go to <http://www.das.ohio.gov/gsd/sao/Projects/EdisonCtrExc.htm>.

### 5. "Designing Top Energy Performing Buildings for Your Clients" Webcast set

Many architects are familiar with the Architecture 2030 Challenge and its goal to design buildings that use 50 percent less energy than our existing inventory, moving progressively toward carbon neutral in the year 2030. The following organizations have adopted the 2030 Challenge: the American Institute of Architects (AIA); the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE); and the Construction Specifications Institute (CSI). But how is the energy measured? Where do we find the baseline? How do we know what benchmark to design our next building to? An in-depth discussion of this initiative and how it relates to LEED, Green Globes and the ENERGY STAR Target Finder program is available on-line.

Registrations are now open for the ENERGY STAR training Webcast of "Designing Top Energy Performing Buildings for Your Clients." This presentation, geared toward architects, engineers, facility owners and energy consultants, illustrates the tools and resources that can provide a competitive edge for commercial new construction projects. The session demonstrates how to establish an estimated annual energy-use target, and how to rank your organization's design of energy performance against that of similar buildings. The session also shows participants how to incorporate strategies that enhance energy performance through a series of management guidelines and learn how to design top energy performing, cost-effective, sustainable buildings for clients.

ENERGY STAR is a joint program of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy to help organizations and consumers save money and protect the environment through energy efficient products and practices. This Webcast is just one of the many free online training sessions offered by ENERGY STAR on a monthly basis to help organizations improve their energy performance.

AIA members can earn 1.0 AIA Continuing Education System (CES) learning units (including Health, Safety and Welfare credit). Non-AIA members earn 0.1 CES units.

The Webcast will be held from 2 to 3 p.m. Eastern Time on Nov. 13 and Dec. 11. To register, go to <https://energystar.webex.com/energystar>. For more information about Energy Star, visit <http://www.energystar.gov>.

#### 6. Ohio University breaks ground for new \$30 million building

Several members of SAO attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the new \$30 million, 100,000 square-foot learning and research facility at Ohio University. The new building, named the Ohio University Academic & Research Center, will house both the Fritz J. and Dolores H. Russ College of Engineering and Technology and the Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine.

The research and learning facility is the only building on campus constructed primarily with private funding since Cutler Hall, completed in 1819. SAO is providing project management for the project and the building is being designed by the Columbus-based engineering and architectural firm of Burgess & Niple.

For more information, including a virtual tour, go to <http://www.ohio.edu/development/ilrf/index.cfm>.

#### 7. FM Global seminar to be held Oct. 16

The Ohio Valley Chapter of RCI (Roof Consultants Institute) is sponsoring a seminar on the concepts and use of FM (Factory Mutual) Loss Prevention Data Sheets 1-28, 1-29, 1-49 and 1-52 on Oct. 16 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Dublin, Ohio. Some time also will be spent on the Web-based RoofNAV wind design calculator and alternative wind design methods and authorities. In light of the recent revisions to the FM Global's Loss Prevention Data Sheets and enhanced wind designs, this should be a very worthwhile seminar for architects, engineers, roof consultants, contractors, specifiers, manufacturer's representatives and facility owners.

For more information or to register, contact David Dixon at 317.777.5651 or Gregg Nichols at 317.867.8505.

#### 8. October Ohio Register

SAO posted the October 2007 issue of the Ohio Register to the SAO Web site on Monday, Oct. 1. The Ohio Register is available on the first business day of each month at [www.ohio.gov/sao](http://www.ohio.gov/sao) (click on Ohio Register).

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