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State Engineers to be Honored During National Engineers Week

SACRAMENTO – The Professional Engineers in California Government (PECG) is honoring its 13,000 state-employed engineers and related professionals during National Engineers Week, February 14 through 20. Annually, National Engineers Week celebrates the engineering profession and reaches out to future generations of engineers.

During the week, the California State Senate is expected to hear a resolution recognizing the critical work by the state's engineers on California's infrastructure projects. Senate Resolution (SR) 33 highlights the ongoing need for engineers to design and develop crucial state infrastructure including bridges, roads, levees, waterways, buildings and energy systems. SR 33 encourages young men and women to pursue a career in the field of engineering.

Also during National Engineers Week, two state-employed engineers will be honored by the Engineers' Council for their outstanding achievements in 2009. Dr. Lian Duan, a Senior Bridge Engineer at Caltrans, will receive the Distinguished Engineering Achievement Award for his accomplishments and leadership in the field of engineering. Michael Whiteside, a Supervising Bridge Engineer at Caltrans, will receive the Outstanding Engineering Achievement Merit Award for his engineering accomplishments. The Engineers' Council is a non-profit professional society in California.

National Engineers Week is held each year during the week of George Washington's birthday. The first U.S. president is also considered the nation's first prominent engineer.

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ABOUT PECG

PECG represents the 13,000 state-employed engineers and related professionals responsible for designing and inspecting California's highways and bridges, ensuring that schools and hospitals are safe during earthquakes, and protecting our air, water and beaches from polluters.

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