Purpose

The Louisiana Transportation Conference (LTC) is a biannual opportunity for our engineering community to gather and exchange information on a broad array of topics of interest to DOTD, consultant and contractor employees. It has been traditional to recognize special achievement in engineering and construction projects performed by our transportation partners as a part of the LTC. This competition recognizes the “best of the best” projects, demonstrating dedication of all of us to providing the highest quality in transportation infrastructure to our customers, the citizens of Louisiana and the users of our highways, transit systems, airports, ports and other public works.

The awards recipients will be recognized during the Closing Luncheon of the LTC on Wednesday, February 11, 2009.

Categories of Entry

One award will be presented for each of the following categories:

- Roadway/Bridge Construction under $10 million
- Roadway/Bridge Construction over $10 million
- Other Infrastructure Construction under $10 million
- Other Infrastructure Construction over $10 million
- Construction of infrastructure for airports, bus/transit, rest areas, ports, rail, ITS, bicycle/pedestrian facilities, locks, dams, and other public works
- Bridge Design Project Development
- Road Design Project Development
- Intermodal/Public Works Project Development
- Context Sensitive Solution/Public Involvement
- Use of Innovative Product or Technology
- Special Achievement in Customer Service
- Use of Innovative Product or Technology
- Construction of infrastructure on highways, interstates/freeways, roads and streets, including reconstruction, widening and construction of new or existing facilities
- Development, including planning, environment/NEPA process and design of bridges and structures
- Development, including planning, environment/NEPA process and design of highways, interstate/freeways, roads and streets
- Development, including planning, environment/NEPA process and design of airports, bus/transit, rest areas, ports, rail, ITS, bicycle/pedestrian facilities, locks, dams, and other public works
- Use of context sensitive design and innovative public involvement techniques, resulting in high quality of customer satisfaction
- Use of any innovative product or technology to provide high quality construction methodology
- Individual or group recognition of high quality service to customers
In case of a tie, as rated by the judges, more than one award in a category may be given. If no entries are nominated for a particular category, no award will be made for that category.

**Eligibility**

Nominations will be taken in the above categories by any firm or public agency. For construction awards, the project must have been completed and accepted in the timeframe between December 1, 2006 and November 30, 2008. For project development and design projects, final plans, specifications and estimates must have been completed between December 1, 2006 and November 30, 2008. For all other categories, the process or achievement must have taken place between December 1, 2006 and November 30, 2008.

All nominations must have been constructed or designed for projects within the State of Louisiana. Each award will recognize only the firm and/or agencies named in the nominations. Only one nomination per firm or agency may be made per category of award.

**Deadlines**

All nomination submittals must be received by 4:00 PM on December 1, 2008, in the Office of Gerrie Penn, Change Management Director, Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development Headquarters, 1201 Capitol Access Road, Room 305A in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The mailing address is Post Office Box 94245, Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9245.

Award recipients will be notified by February 1, 2009.

For questions, please contact Richard L. Savoie, Deputy Chief Engineer, at (225) 379-1384 or rsavoie@dotd.la.gov

**Judging**

- The judging will be based on the total engineering or public service excellence in the criteria established for each category of entry. Each category of entry has its own criteria – please refer to the nomination form for details of the judging criteria.

The Award Recommendation Committee will be composed of the following DOTD positions:

- Deputy Chief Engineer (Chair)
- Environmental Engineer Administrator
- Systems Engineering Administrator
- Traffic Engineering Administrator
- Construction Division Administrator
- Project Management Administrator
- LTRC Director
- Project Development Director
- Contract Services Administrator

Committee recommendations will receive final approval of the Chief Engineer prior to notification.