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**Poplar Bluff Engineering Firm Executive
Elected to American Council of Engineering Companies of Missouri
2016-2017 Board of Directors**

JEFFERSON CITY, MO (June 22, 2016) – **Stephen D. Hicks, PE**, Chief Operating Officer of S.H. Smith & Company, Inc., will serve his first year of a 3-year term as *Director* of the **American Council of Engineering Companies of Missouri** (ACEC/MO) for 2016-2017. Hicks will take office on July 1, 2016. S.H. Smith & Company, Inc. specializes in civil engineering, surveying, environmental, geotechnical, materials testing and construction inspection for both public and private sectors.

The Council's main goal is to support a positive business environment for our member engineering companies. Specific goals the ACEC/MO 2016-2017 Board have set for the coming year include: 1) focus on legislation that deals with business issues of interest; 2) support the Mercury Alliance, a transportation funding coalition; and 3) continue to support our working relationship with key public agencies in Missouri.

ACEC/MO, headquartered in Jefferson City, Missouri is a state association of over 120 of Missouri's leading engineering companies, representing over 8,500 employees who annually design billions of dollars in constructed public work and private industry projects. The Council's member representatives are the design professional owners and top management of these firms. A complete listing of the 2016-2017 ACEC/MO Board of Directors is attached.

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