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- **Industry News** *(Big Changes with Taking the PE Exam (Direct Registration & Decoupling); ACEC Sustainable Energy Solutions)*

- **Notable Events** *(February Legislative Day Registration Open; Register Now for ACEC/MO’s Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet; Save the Date - ACEC/MO 4th Annual ACEC/PAC Golf Tournament)*

- **Liaison Committee Reports** *(St. Louis Board of Public Service Liaison Committee)*

- **Member Information & Calendar** *(Member News; Calendar of Events)*

If there is something you would like us to include in the weekly updates, please contact the ACEC/MO office. We would love to hear your thoughts. Thanks!

## INDUSTRY NEWS

### Big Changes with Taking the PE Exam (Direct Registration & Decoupling)

Beginning with the April 2020 exam administration, instead of applying with the Board, candidates wanting to sit for the Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE) Exam will register directly with NCEES by creating a MyNCEES account on NCEES’s website at [https://account.ncess.org/login](https://account.ncess.org/login).

Also, individuals who hold a Bachelor of Science degree in engineering accredited by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology, Inc. (ABET) and who have already taken and passed the NCEES Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) Exam may take the PE Exam prior to obtaining the requisite of 4 years of satisfactory engineering experience. For more info: [https://pr.mo.gov/professionalengineers-application-forms.asp](https://pr.mo.gov/professionalengineers-application-forms.asp).
ACEC Sustainable Energy Solutions

America’s engineering companies strongly support tax and other policies that promote innovation and economic development while at the same time providing sustainable energy solutions that protect the environment. Two specific actions are needed that will help to address these goals. ACEC urges Congress to extend the Section 179D energy-efficient commercial buildings tax deduction and the Section 45 production tax credit (PTC) for renewable energy sources. To see this fact sheet, click on this [link](#).

NOTABLE EVENTS

February Legislative Day Registration Open

The Missourians for Transportation Investment (MFTI) will hold its second 2020 Legislative Day on **Tuesday, February 11th**. This will be a joint legislative day with ACEC/MO and the Missouri Society of Professional Engineers (MSPE.) Orientation and a legislative briefing will be held at the MSPE and ACEC/MO office (200 E. McCarty Street, Jefferson City, MO) at 10 a.m. followed by visits with legislative leaders in the capitol. Participants will receive handouts to share with legislators during orientation.

During this legislative day, we have meetings confirmed with House Speaker Elijah Haahr, Senate Transportation Committee Chairman Doug Libla, and members of Governor Parson’s staff. We are working to secure additional meetings with legislative leaders and participants are encouraged to visit their local state senators and representatives as well. There is no cost to attend, however registration is required. To register, please send the names/email addresses of those attending to [info@mfti.org](mailto:info@mfti.org) and say you are representing ACEC/MO.

Register Now for ACEC/MO's Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet

Make plans now to attend ACEC/MO's Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet on **February 28-29, 2020** at the [DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel](#) in Chesterfield, MO. We have a full schedule of events to include: Board of Directors/Membership Meeting; Lunch/QBS Awards/Speaker; Leadership Tax Seminar; Local Color Night at Topgolf; Breakfast/Speaker; Critical Business Issues Roundtable; Design Excellence Reception; and Awards Banquet. To see the complete schedule of events or to register for the meeting, go to our [website](#).

Below is a list of Associate Members and member firms that have graciously agreed to be a sponsor for the design excellence reception and the awards banquet. Thank you for your support! For more information on being a sponsor, go to our [website](#).

**Design Excellence Reception Sponsors:**
- **Patron Sponsors:** Greyling, a division of EPIC, broker for the ACEC Business Insurance Trust; RubinBrown, LLP; and Seiler Geospatial - Seiler Design Solutions


Save the Date - ACEC/MO 4th Annual ACEC/PAC Golf Tournament

We have set the date for ACEC/MO's 4th Annual ACEC/PAC Golf Tournament. It will be held on Monday, October 19, 2020 at the Columbia Country Club, Columbia, MO. We'll send out registration information closer to the date. Please put October 19th on your calendar and plan to join us in Columbia!

LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS

St. Louis Board of Public Service (BPS) Liaison Committee

The St. Louis Board of Public Service / ACEC/MO Liaison Committee met on January 15, 2020. ACEC/MO members in attendance were: Tricia Bohler, Margaret Bruns; Tim Nugent, Bob Orr, Scott Smith and Srinivas Yanamanamanda. Items of discussion included: organizational / personnel changes; proposed changes to professional service; MSD/St. Louis County Permitting Collaborative; Disparity Study update; St. Louis Capital Improvement Program update; and other topics. The date for the next meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 2021. To see the complete minutes and attachments from this meeting, go to our website.

MEMBER INFORMATION & CALENDAR

Member News

H.R. Green, Inc. congratulates the following employees in their St. Louis office for getting their Professional Engineer Licensure: Stephen Stumpf, PE, and Ehsan Montazeri, PE. Steve is a skilled civil engineer with experience in municipal public works, commercial projects, and storm and sanitary sewer design. Ehsan supports HR Green’s Transportation Business Line and has an in-depth understanding and working experience regarding steel and pre-stressed concrete bridges, timber and masonry structures, and foundation design.

Ross & Baruzzini, Inc. announced the following changes. Jim Heisserer, Vice President and Director of Utilities Infrastructure, retired after a remarkable 43-year career. Jim has served as the principal, project manager and lead electrical design engineer for many of the medium and low voltage power distribution projects at Lambert St. Louis International Airport and the City of St. Louis as well as Missouri and Illinois American Water. Karl Miller became the Director of
Utilities Infrastructure. Karl has diverse design and leadership experience, having previously served as the Director of Project Management and Director of Healthcare. **Warren Kohm** was promoted to Director of Operations, focusing on optimizing the Utilities Infrastructure group and offering continued technical leadership. Warren has led much of the electrical engineering services for major clients. **Alan Ely** will serve as the Director of Power System Studies. Alan will oversee all short circuit, coordination and arc flash studies produced in the Utilities Infrastructure market. **Mike Swanson** will be stepping into Karl Miller’s position to lead the Healthcare group. Mike has been the Director of Operations for the past two years and is well-established with many clients in the market.

**Calendar of Events**

**February 11, 2020** - MFTI / ACECMO / MSPE Legislative Day, Jefferson City  
**February 28-29, 2020** - Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet, Chesterfield  
**March 4-5, 2020** - Future Leaders Academy, Jefferson City  
**April 8-9, 2020** - Future Leaders Academy, St. Louis  
**April 26-29, 2020** - ACEC Annual Convention & Legislative Summit, Washington, DC  
**May 13-14, 2020** - Future Leaders Academy, Independence  
**June 7-9, 2020** - ACEC Midwest States Conference, Branson  
**August 21, 2020** - Summer Meeting, Columbia  
**October 19, 2020** - 4th Annual ACEC/PAC Golf Tournament, Columbia  
**November 13, 2020** - Fall Meeting, Columbia

Newly added events are italicized. To see a complete calendar of events, go to ACEC/MO's [website](mailto:DawnHill@acecmo.org).