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Dear AGC Houston Member:

As we approach the end of another year, I am struck by the positive changes happening in the construction industry during one of the most difficult economic periods in our history. While times have not improved as much as we had hoped, I remain amazed at the business acumen and grit of our members to survive, evolve and strengthen their businesses to be leaner and more competitive.

In that light, this year AGC Houston continued to lead in the growth of the Construction Career Collaborative (**C3**). The C3 Initiative is an industry alliance of partners working to positively affect the growth of a sustainable workforce for the construction industry. To date, 7 industry organizations (including AGC Houston) and 2 owners have signed on to this important industry initiative.

At a chapter level, we have focused on the future of the industry as well and are proud to report the following successes:

- Educated over 700 students at our in-house OSHA Training Institute, the only OTI location in the southern portion of the state. Our full calendar of classes provided training to an additional 2000 individuals.
- Held the first training series for the Certificate of Management in Building Information Modeling (**CM-BIM**) and was one of 4 beta testing centers in the country for the credentialing examination.
- Provided scholarships in excess of \$20,000 to students studying for a career in the construction industry. Two local students also received national scholarship awards from AGC of America.

We continue to be excited by the response to a member benefit rolled out just last year – the AGC Houston Multiple Employer 401(k) program, in partnership with R.W. Baird. The chapter has far surpassed the original participation estimates and to date manages a total asset value over \$50 million.

Our publications have also gone lean and green – we began a weekly membership e-newsletter, *Member's Edge*, delivered every Tuesday to your inbox. It provides information on events, training, the Construction Project Information (CPI) bulletin and other relevant member news.

Recognizing that networking is a valuable membership benefit, we have introduced a monthly member mixer called 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday. As the name suggests, we meet the first Thursday of every month and have been lucky to have the participation of our Board of Directors and sponsors who raffle an iPad each month!

Finally, we are most grateful for the support and participation of our members. While next year might remain an economic challenge, we are dedicated to providing the resources our members need to weather these times and come out ahead when the economy recovers. If we can be of any assistance to you, we hope you will contact us and let us know how we can help.

Thank you for your membership. We hope you will continue your involvement at AGC Houston in 2011.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jerry Nevlud".

Jerry Nevlud  
President/CEO