## Awards Program – Region 7

### 1. Region

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### 2. Project Contact

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### 3. Project Category

Annual Region 7 Awards for; Outstanding Younger Member, Lifetime Achievement and Practitioner/Faculty Advisor Awards

### 4. Project Description

#### 5. The Process
(What you did, When and How)

We requested a copy of Region 9’s award nomination forms and used their format to create our own. The nomination form is submitted to all Section, Branch and Student Chapters in our Region. The initial email is sent out the last week in November. Two follow up email are sent out one in late January and a final reminder email one month prior to deadline. All applications must be in by April 30th. The nominees are provided to all members of the Region 7 Board of Governors for review. A conference call is held in May where the Board selects the award winners.

#### 6. Those in Charge
(Committee, Task Committee, Etc.)

A member of the Board is assigned Awards Chairperson.

#### 7. Time Frame
(When Started, When Completed)

Started in November, Applications due April 30th, winners selected in May and Award plaques are given to winners at their 1st Section or Branch meeting occurring in September or after.

#### 8. Success Factors
(The Parts that Worked Really Well)

We encouraged our Sections to institute an awards program and use our application and then forward the nominees from the section along for a Region award. One Section implemented this process and it works very well.

#### 9. Setback Factors
(The Parts that did Not Work Well)

We originally offered Community Service award however after the first year we did not receive nominations and chose to abandon that award and focus on the other three.

#### 10. Creativity
(This is something off the wall that we did)

We originally paid for award winners to attend the annual meeting, however, this proved to be too costly.

#### 11. Administration
(What was most Important)

It was a great help to use the same application used in Region 9 for their awards program. It is very helpful to have an awards Chair responsible for all notifications and receipts of all nominations.
12. **Follow-Up**  
(What was most important?)  
It has been our experience at least two reminders are necessary to encourage completion of the nominations.

13. **Recommendations**  
(What you should ALWAYS do with this project?)  
Simplify the process so the investment of time to complete the application is not too cumbersome.

14. **Cautions**  
(What you should NEVER do with this project?)  
Award someone who does not meet your criteria even if it is your only nominee for that category. We have not awarded a winner in some categories and we have decided we need to have more than one winner in other categories. All decisions were based on the merits of the nominee(s).

15. **The Outcome**

16. **Ongoing Activity**  
(Would you do it again?)  
Yes, it is a regular part of our Region process.

17. **Speaker Contact information**  
(person from your Region who would be willing to speak about the Best Practice)  

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18. **Additional Comments**  
This Best Practice includes a sample nomination form and award plaque images on the following pages.
Individual Nomination Form

Lifetime Achievement Award

Due Date: Nominations must be received by April 30, 2014

Application Materials Required
Individual Nomination Form and Electronic Photo of Nominee

Entry Instructions
Electronic submittal is requested. Please e-mail the following 2 electronic files (less than 10 MB per e-mail):
File 1: Filename = nominee’s last name.pdf Individual Nomination Form
• File 2: Filename = nominee’s last name.jpg
  Photo of the nominee to be used in the awards program

e-mail to: mgm@sequoiaeng.com
  E-mail subject line = ASCE R7 Award Application – Lifetime Achievement for (nominee’s last name)

Or mail a CD containing the 2 files to: ASCE Region 7
  Attn: Marsia Geldert-Murphey ASCE
  Region 7 Awards Committee
  P.O. Box 78262
  St. Louis, MO 63178-8262

For more information contact:
Marsia Geldert-Murphey, P.E - ASCE Region 7 Awards Committee
mgm@sequoiaeng.com or 618-444-6815

Award Criteria
This award is intended to recognize the lifetime efforts of civil engineers service to further advance the field of civil engineering through their contributions, innovative concepts, research, and materials.
The nominee for this award shall be a Registered Professional Engineer and be a member of ASCE in Region 7.

**Awards Ceremony**

The selected individual will be recognized in 2014 at awardee’s Section or Branch meeting.

**Nominator Contact Information** (person making the nomination - self nomination encouraged)

Name: Employer:  
Address:  
Street  
City  
State  
Zip  
Phone Number:  
Email Address:  
ASCE Membership#:  
P.E.? Yes or No

**Nominee Contact Information**

Name: Employer:  
Address:  
Street  
City  
State  
Zip  
Phone Number:  
Email Address:  
P.E. Registration  
State  
P.E. Registration #

**Nominee ASCE Membership Information:**

ASCE Section nominee belongs to:  
☐ Colorado Section  
☐ Northern Branch  
☐ Southern Branch  
☐ SW Branch  
☐ Western Slope Branch  
☐ Iowa Section  
☐ Kansas Section  
☐ Wichita Branch  
☐ Kansas City Section  
☐ Nebraska Section South  
☐ Dakota Section  
☐ Black Hills Branch  
☐ Eastern Branch  
☐ St. Louis Section  
☐ Wyoming Section
Lifetime Achievement Nomination Information:
Please answer the following questions. Brevity is encouraged - please keep the information to 3 pages or less.

1. Describe the nominee’s ASCE involvement.

2. Describe the nominee’s other professional activities.

3. Describe the nominee’s contributions to the Civil Engineering Profession.

Provide any other information regarding the nominee to be considered for this award.
Thomas Viken Edgar, PhD, P.E.

ASCE Region 7
2013 Lifetime Achievement Award
Amber Kauffman, P.E. In Honor of Your Outstanding Performance and Service to the American Society of Civil Engineers Region 7 Board of Governors 2013
Marie A. Stamm, P.E., M.ASCE

ASCE Region 7
2013 Outstanding ASCE Younger Member Award

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Andres Torres, P.E.

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William S. Stahlman III

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