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TCA SELECTS RECIPIENTS OF 2010 PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

MT. VERNON, IOWA (Feb. 13, 2010) – The Tilt-Up Concrete Association (TCA) – a non-profit international organization that serves to expand and improve the use of site-cast Tilt-Up as the preferred construction method – has announced the recipients of four professional achievement awards presented at TCA’s annual meeting held on Thursday, Feb. 4 in conjunction with the World of Concrete.

The award recipients for 2010, selected by the Association's Board of Directors after nomination by the general membership and recommendation by the TCA’s Awards Committee, are:

- Bob Foley, President of The Foley Group for the Peter Courtois Memorial Award
- Textured Coatings of America for the Robert Aiken Innovation Award
- Steve Miers of Tilt-Up, Inc. for the Murray Parker Memorial Award
- **James M. Williams/AE URBIA for the Irving Gill Distinguished Architect Award**
- Johnson Structural Group for the David L. Kelly Engineering Award

Irving Gill Distinguished Architect Award

The TCA’s Distinguished Architect Award is named in honor of Irving J. Gill. Early in the history of concrete construction, Gill—a prominent architect in Southern California—designed and constructed a house in Hollywood employing Aiken’s method for Tilt-Up in 1912. This led Gill to purchase the patent rights of the bankrupt Aiken Reinforced Concrete Company forming his own Concrete Building and Investment Company. Without the architectural mindset of Gill, the industry may very well have taken a much slower time to rise to its current dominance. His crowning Tilt-Up achievement remains as one of the great early examples of modern concrete, the La Jolla Women’s Club. Past recipients include RMW architecture, Intergroup Architects,

Kovert Hawkins Architects, The Haskell Company, Powers Brown Architecture and Kenneth R. Carlson, Architect – P.A.



James M. Williams of AE URBIA and J.M. Williams and Associates, Salt Lake City, Utah based firms, has been selected as the 2010 recipient of the Irving Gill Distinguished Architect Award for his creative and ingenious use of Tilt-Up concrete. He is a licensed architect, structural engineer, civil engineer, professional engineer and LEED AP. Williams is highly respected in the design community and is one of only a few who are both an architect and an engineer. Although he has numerous noteworthy projects, one of his

most recognized is the Clyde Companies Corporate Office Building which transformed conventional Tilt-Up concrete into a refreshing modern class -A” office building with timeless qualities. According to Williams, -The Irving Gill Distinguished Architect Award is my most cherished award to date. This industry only recognizes one architect internationally each year and this year I was fortunate to receive this great honor. I have a talented staff and everyone knows that the construction of any building takes teamwork. It is nice to be recognized for our contributions to the built environment and Tilt-Up construction. We strive to combine both form and function with materials and methodologies and find creative solutions to improving the quality of life.”

About the TCA

TCA was founded in 1986 to improve the quality and acceptance of site-cast Tilt-Up construction, a method in which concrete wall panels are cast on-site and tilted into place. Tilt-Up construction is one of the fastest growing industries in the United States, combining the advantages of reasonable cost with low maintenance, durability, speed of construction and minimal capital investment. At least 10,000 buildings, enclosing more than 650 million square feet, are constructed each year using this construction method. For more information, visit www.tilt-up.org or contact TCA at 319-895-6911.