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## **Reith-Riley Construction Co. Receives the 2017 Harry H. Mellon Award of Excellence in Job Order Contracting**

**Indianapolis, Indiana** – Reith Riley Construction Co. was recently awarded the 2017 Harry H. Mellon Award of Excellence for exemplifying outstanding principles and practices in a \$1.3 million project to repair the Rockville Road Bridge.

On Jan. 10, 2017, a mobile car crusher crashed into the Rockville Road Bridge, destroying four of the 14 load-bearing girders. The bridge carried a main artery into town from the west side of Indianapolis – specifically into the portion of town where the Indianapolis Motor Speedway is located. With the added pressure of the rapidly approaching Indianapolis 500, urgent repairs were a necessity.

INDOT realized this was an opportunity to utilize their Job Order Contracting (JOC) program designed specifically for high-priority bridge repairs beyond what can typically be performed by in-house maintenance staff. Rieth Riley Construction Co. is an awarded JOC contractor and responded that same day to begin demolition and re-route traffic over the undamaged section of the bridge. The replacement beams were ready within two months, and deck reconstruction, bridge wall replacement and traffic striping were completed ahead of schedule. Due to JOC's streamlined process, the repairs were completed in less than half the time of INDOT's standard project sequence. Additionally, JOC's pre-established pricing removed the risk of paying a premium that likely would have been expected with an expedited delivery timeframe.

Job Order Contracting is a competitively bid procurement process used by building and infrastructure owners to save money by fast-tracking repair and alteration projects based on locally priced construction tasks and competitively awarded contracts. Since its invention in 1982, Job Order Contracting has developed into a popular solution for public agencies, such as municipalities, school districts, colleges and universities, transit systems and public housing authorities, to manage and expedite many construction projects.

The Harry H. Mellon Award of Excellence in Job Order Contracting is named for the inventor of the procurement process, and is the highest honor in the industry. Award of Excellence finalists are

announced each year, with one of them going on to win the Harry H. Mellon Award of Excellence in Job Order Contracting. A panel of industry experts chose the finalists and winner from among the projects submitted based on adherence to Job Order Contracting principles, innovation, complexity, special circumstances and overall time and cost savings.

*“Job Order Contracting, also known as “The Mellon Plan”, is the best comprehensive approach for an emergency repair project such as the Rockville Road Bridge Repair Project. We are honored to accept this award because it reminds our Employee Owners that the “Rieth-Riley Way” of mastering the basics in our line of work, each day, best prepares us to respond and serve effectively when there is a need to perform at a high level for our customers, community and the surrounding governing entities.”*

Paul J. Tate  
Rieth-Riley Construction Co., Inc.  
Regional VP of Central Indiana

Since 2007, this award has recognized the facility owners, managers and contractors who perform the essential, yet often thankless, repair, alteration and maintenance work that is the core of the Job Order Contracting system, in an efficient and effective manner. The awards are sponsored by Gordian, the creator Job Order Contracting and many related construction-procurement systems. Gordian is the Job Order Contracting industry expert, and as such, advances the discipline through innovation, education and recognition.

**About Rieth-Riley Construction Co., Inc.** - Rieth-Riley Construction Co., Inc., is a 100% employee-owned company that has been providing quality infrastructure solutions since 1916. Their services are in Central Indiana, Northern Indiana, and Michigan. Rieth-Riley has taken pride in building a reputation for a dependability that owners, developers and industry partners can count on. Both new and returning clients have trusted Rieth-Riley to get the job done right, on time and on budget while providing quality products and services with a zero-accident safety culture. Rieth-Riley’s employee-ownership creates a strong teamwork culture and a positive work ethic that extends to each project.

Infrastructures services include self-performing excavation, grading, underground utilities, site concrete, concrete paving, concrete structures, bridges, asphalt paving, hydrovac and demolition services.

Material services include asphalt liquid materials, hot mix asphalt (HMA), cold mix asphalt (CMA), limestone aggregates, sand and gravel, recycled asphalt materials, and recycled concrete materials.