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SSR EMPLOYEES DOMINATE YOUNG ENGINEER DISTINCTION

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – June 12, 2012 – Smith Seckman Reid, Inc. (SSR), an engineering design and facility consulting firm headquartered in Nashville, Tennessee, is pleased to announce that four members of its staff have been recognized as exceptional young engineers in recent months by three different organizations.

Theodore (Ted) Foster, PE, PSP, CxA, was recognized by the Society of American Military Engineers' Huntsville Post as their "Young Engineer of the Year." Foster, a business development team member of the SSRCx division of SSR, was presented the award at the Huntsville Post's banquet celebration for National Engineers Week. The award was given based on professional accomplishments, contributions to the Military, leadership and mentoring, and community service related to engineering.

Jamie Qualk, LEED AP BD+C, was selected as a member of the Class of 2012 in *Building Design* + *Construction* magazine's "40 Under 40" award program. Qualk, a vice president and sustainability practice leader with SSRCx, was selected from 223 applicants for his leadership and technical skills, dedication, integrity and sustained career progress.

Clark Denson, PE, CEM, LEED AP BD+C, was also a recipient of a "40 Under 40" award. Denson, a mechanical engineer with SSRCx, was recognized by *Consulting-Specifying Engineer* magazine for his contributions to high performance design practices and energy modeling for operational performance.

"It's extremely rewarding to see our young engineers acknowledged for excellence within our field," said Mike Coyne, PE, CCA, CxA, SSRCx's Managing Principal. "Our reputation within our client and peer groups continues to grow with the quality and dedication exhibited by these three and all our young engineers."

The second SSR employee named to CSE's "40 Under 40" list was Jared Edwards, PE, LEED AP BD+C. Edwards, a mechanical engineer, is a senior project manager in SSR's Dallas office. Eduardo Calderon, PE, a vice president with SSR, acknowledged that the recognition for Edwards was well deserved.

"We are grateful that Jared is part of SSR – for his talent, effort and everything he does for us and our clients," Calderon said.

About SSR

SSR is an employee-owned engineering design and facility consulting firm with 16 offices and more than 40 years of experience in health care, sports and entertainment, institutional and infrastructure projects. A division of SSR, SSRCx is a leading facilities commissioning provider that works with facilities to verify and document that buildings and their systems are designed and installed in a quality manner and meet the needs of the owner and occupants. SSRCx provides commissioning services at any stage of a

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project, from design to completion, including facilities that have been built and running for a significant amount of time. In 2011 SSR was ranked first in the ZweigWhite "Best Multidiscipline A/E Services Firm to Work For" among firms with more than 300 employees. SSR is ranked 11th on the *Consulting-Specifying Engineer* "MEP Giants" list and 6th on its "Cx Giants" list. To learn more, visit <u>www.ssr-inc.com</u> or <u>www.ssrcx.com</u>.

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