

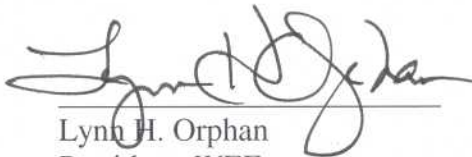
PARTNERING AGREEMENT
between
THE WATER ENVIRONMENT FEDERATION
and
THE AMERICAN COUNCIL OF ENGINEERING COMPANIES

The Water Environment Federation (WEF) and the American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) seek through this Agreement to establish a strong partnership between our organizations for the purpose of coordinating resources and working together to promote professional knowledge and increased investment in the preservation and enhancement of the global water environment.

We are committed to work together toward the following goals:

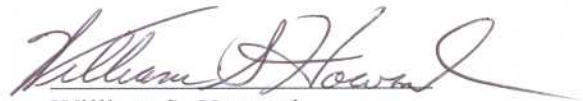
- A significant increase in the nation's investment in water quality infrastructure.
- Promotion of public education and sound public policy regarding water environment issues.
- Promotion of common interests relating to our involvement in the practice of water quality engineering.
- A continuing dialog between ACEC and WEF at the national, state, local and international levels to advance water quality science, education, technology, and professional design services.

This Partnering Agreement supersedes the ACEC/WEF Partnering Agreement dated October 3, 1998. The effective period of this Partnering Agreement shall be five (5) years starting from the date of execution. In the event that both organizations desire to extend the effective period, it may be extended after mutual consultation and agreement.



Lynn H. Orphan
President, WEF

10 April 2005
Date



William S. Howard
Chairman, ACEC

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