

# National Qualifications-Based Selection Awards



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## Call For Nominations

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**Subject:** Nominations for 2007 QBS Awards  
Deadline: August 8, 2007

**Date:** June 6, 2007

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Every year, ACEC and NSPE partner to create the QBS Awards Program. The purpose of the QBS Awards Program is to recognize public and private entities that make exemplary use of the QBS selection process at the state and local levels. In turn, the QBS Award winners provide examples of how well the QBS process works, and helps ACEC and NSPE promote the practice of QBS in states that are not currently using QBS for the selection of engineering services. ACEC and NSPE present a grand QBS award each year in each of two categories. The categories are the Non-Governmental Sector and the Governmental Sector.

**NSPE and ACEC now seek nominations for the 2007 QBS Awards, honoring entities that use qualifications-based selection to retain design professionals. The deadline for nominations is Wednesday, August 8, 2007.** A simple nomination form is attached for your use.

## **Two QBS Awards**

There are two categories of QBS Awards:

- Government Sector
- Non-Government Sector

Non-government entities include private corporations, privately-funded research labs, private utility companies, design professionals, construction contractors, developers and any non-government entity that uses design professional services on a regular basis.

Government entities include states, municipalities, local governments, departments or agencies of government, school districts, university systems, public utility systems, research laboratories (if publicly funded), special purpose districts, and the like.

These lists are not to be considered all-inclusive.

## **Mandated and Non-Mandated QBS**

Public entities operating under mandated QBS (Mini-Brooks Law) procedures are also eligible if they have demonstrated exceptional leadership in qualifications-based selection.

Nominations from non-mandated public entities will receive priority consideration, if all other criteria are rated equally.

## **Awards Banquet at the ACEC Fall Conference in Hawaii**

The QBS Award recipients will receive an engraved trophy and will be honored during the ACEC Fall Conference in Maui, HI, September 26-29, 2007. Their travel and lodging expenses will be paid by NSPE/PEPP and ACEC.

In addition to the two QBS Awards, the QBS Awards program will designate up to four Merit Award winners, who will be presented a plaque locally, at an event coordinated by the PEPP State Chair and the ACEC Member Organization President.

Please be sure to consult your nominee before submitting their name. Nominations should be sent to the address on the form.

If you have any questions, call Roger Jordan at 202-347-7474, or Kim Granados at 703-684-2800, or send an e-mail to [rjordan@acec.org](mailto:rjordan@acec.org) or [kgranados@nspe.org](mailto:kgranados@nspe.org).

Thank you for your help and interest in qualifications-based selection.

Attachment: Nomination Form

**NOMINATION FOR THE 2007 ACEC/NSPE QBS AWARD  
FOR PROFESSIONAL PROCUREMENT PRACTICES**

DEADLINE: **August 8, 2007**

1. Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

Category: Government \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Government \_\_\_\_\_

2. Key Candidate Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Did a QBS facilitator meet with the candidate? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Name of QBS facilitator: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Please provide a brief narrative explaining why this agency or company is a candidate for a QBS Award:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. Describe the nominee's selection procedure: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
7. Is it a written policy? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ **(Note: Include a copy of the policy!)**
8. How long has the selection process been used? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Does the process cover: Architects \_\_\_\_\_ Engineers \_\_\_\_\_ Land Surveyors \_\_\_\_\_
10. Who administers the selection procedure? \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
11. Is the person a: P.E. \_\_\_ AIA \_\_\_ P.L.S. \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_
12. Who makes the final decision on which design professional is chosen?  
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 \_\_\_\_\_  
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13. Is QBS government-mandated? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
14. Additional comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Name and signature of person \_\_\_\_\_  
 or organization submitting this  
 nomination: \_\_\_\_\_

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