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HALL & FOREMAN, INC. NAMED AS TOP COMPANY OF INLAND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Irvine, Calif., March 21, 2005 — Hall & Foreman, Inc., (HFI), an engineering, land planning, surveying, and landscape architecture firm, has received the #1 ranking in the Professional Services category for The Business Press' fifth annual Top Companies of Inland Southern California.

The Business Press is a weekly business newspaper serving the Inland Empire area of Southern California. The contest was developed by The Business Press to recognize companies for their ethics, inspiration, employee rewards, providing a safe and healthy environment, offering quality service and community involvement. HFI was named the winner of six finalists in the professional services category.

Tom Paradis, publisher of The Business Press said, "The caliber of this year's nominations exceeds anything we've seen in the past."

HFI's president of the Inland Empire Division Jon Bourgeois, P.E., noted, "As a professional services firm, our goal is to provide value to our Clients. Everyone at HFI is honored to be associated with the "Top" businesses in this region. Our employees also deserve the recognition of being the reason why we are a 'Top Company'."

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The judges of this year's award were Gordon Badovick, Ph.D, dean of the College of Business and Public Management at the University of La Verne; Karen Dill Bowerman, Ph.D, dean of the College of Business and Public Administration at California State University, San Bernardino; Shanthi Srinivas, chair and professor in the Management and Human Resources Department in the College of Business at California State Polytechnic University in Pomona; and John Thomas, Ph.D, dean of the La Sierra University School of Business and Management.

Founded in 1961, HFI specializes in civil engineering, land planning/development, land surveying, entitlement coordination, infrastructure funding, investigative engineering, municipal/public works, surveying and mapping, and landscape architecture services. With offices in Irvine, Rancho Cucamonga, Temecula, and Woodland Hills, HFI serves public and private clients on a variety of projects throughout California and Southern Nevada.

For further information about HFI's services, please contact Kelly Teenor at 714-665-4500, or visit <http://www.hfinc.com>.

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*Jon Bourgeois,
holding the
Top Company Award.*