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HALL & FOREMAN, INC. NAMED FOR 2nd CONSECUTIVE YEAR AS A BEST FIRM TO WORK

Irvine, Calif., Oct. 17, 2005 — Hall & Foreman, Inc., (HFI), an engineering, land planning, surveying, and landscape architecture firm, has received the #5 ranking on the CE News 2005 list of the Best Civil Engineering Firms To Work For in the United States. This is the second consecutive year that HFI as ranked in the top five.

CE News is the leading business magazine serving the civil engineering market. The nationwide contest was developed by CE News to provide a meaningful ranking of human resource issues in the civil engineering industry, as well as to assist firms in their recruiting and retaining activities.

Shanon Fauerbach, P.E., editorial director of CE News said, “This was an exciting year for the competition, as we had the largest number of entrants to date and welcomed some high-quality newcomers to the list.”

This year, 135 firms competed in the thorough evaluation and comparison of their culture, benefits, performance/recognition practices, compensation, professional development programs, recruiting and retention efforts, and more. Competing firms ranged in size from 20 to 1,640 employees.

HFI's chief executive officer John C. Hogan, P.E., stated "We are pleased to be the only firm that has ranked in the Top 5 for two consecutive years. This achievement recognizes our long-term commitment toward being a destination employer."

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.

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