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### **CFSEI ACCEPTING ENTRIES FOR 2018 AWARDS PROGRAM THROUGH MARCH 30**

WASHINGTON, DC, February 13, 2018 – The Cold-Formed Steel Engineers Institute (CFSEI) is accepting entries through March 30, 2018 for its annual awards program, which acknowledges outstanding and innovative cold-formed steel (CFS) framing projects and individuals who have advanced the industry through their significant contributions of time and expertise. This year's awards will be presented in three categories. Winners will be announced at the 2018 CFSEI Expo, which will be held May 15-16 at the Wyndham San Diego Bayside Hotel in San Diego, California.

The 2018 CFSEI Awards Program is seeking entries in these categories:

- Category 1 – Design Excellence: The award recognizes projects that exemplify excellence in the structural design of new or renovated structures utilizing CFS products. Entries will be judged on demonstrated excellence and achievement in the use of cold-formed steel based on design creativity, technical innovation and overall project excellence in cold-formed steel utilization. Awards will be presented for First Place, Second Place and Third Place.
- Category 2 – Innovative Detail: This award recognizes any cold-formed steel framing detail that exemplifies creativity or ingenuity to solve a design challenge.

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Participants must submit a single engineered detail along with a brief summary outlining how the detail was used to resolve the design challenge. Submission of additional support documentation (such as calculations or design criteria) is encouraged but not required. Entries will be judged on their ability to solve a cold-formed steel design challenge based on problem-solving creativity. Awards will be presented for an eligible engineered detail at the discretion of the Awards Committee regardless of the total number of entries submitted.

- Category 3 – John P. Matsen Award for Distinguished Service: The award recognizes the contributions of an individual who has volunteered significant time, talent and resources to the cold-formed steel industry. Entries will be judged by the testimony of the nominators on how the individuals advanced cold-formed steel framing in the marketplace. One award will be presented.

The rules of eligibility, entry instructions, and mailing address are available on the CFSEI website at <http://www.cfsei.org/2018cfseiawardsprogram>.

The Cold-Formed Steel Engineers Institute comprises hundreds of structural engineers and other design professionals who are finding a better way to produce safe and efficient designs for commercial and residential structures with cold-formed steel. CFSEI members work together to develop and evolve industry standards and design methods, produce and issue technical bulletins, and provide seminars and online training to improve the knowledge and skills base of engineers and design professionals. For more information, visit [www.cfsei.org](http://www.cfsei.org).

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