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**CFSEI ACCEPTING ENTRIES FOR 2017 AWARDS PROGRAM THROUGH MARCH 30**

*New category recognizes innovative cold-formed steel framing details*

WASHINGTON, DC, February 15, 2017 – The Cold-Formed Steel Engineers Institute (CFSEI) is accepting entries through March 30, 2017 for its annual awards program, which acknowledges outstanding and innovative cold-formed steel (CFS) 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 2017 CFSEI Expo, which will be held May 22-23 in Dallas-Ft. Worth, Texas.

The 2017 CFSEI Awards Program is seeking entries in these categories:

- Category 1 – Design Excellence: The award recognizes outstanding achievement in creative design, technical innovation and best practices for CFS framing. Small and large projects constructed in 2016 that exemplify excellence in the structural design of new or renovated structures utilizing CFS products are eligible. Awards will be presented for First Place, Second Place and Third Place.
- Category 2 – Innovative Detail: A new category, this award recognizes any CFS detail that exemplifies creativity or ingenuity to solve a design challenge.

Participants must submit a single engineering detail along with a brief summary

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that outlines how the detail was used to resolve the design challenge. Awards will be presented for eligible engineered details at the discretion of the Awards Committee regardless of the total number of entries submitted.

- Category 3 - Distinguished Service: The award recognizes the contributions of an individual who has volunteered significant time, talent and resources to the cold-formed steel industry. One Distinguished Service Award will be presented.

All entries will be reviewed by members of the CFSEI Executive Committee. The rules of eligibility, entry instructions, and mailing address are available at the CFSEI website at <http://www.cfsei.org/2017cfseiawardsprogram>.

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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