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**CFSEI TO HOST WEBINAR ON “MID-RISE COLD-FORMED STEEL CONSTRUCTION
AND DESIGN – A CASE STUDY” ON APRIL 9, 2015**

WASHINGTON, DC, April 2, 2015 – The Cold-Formed Steel Engineers Institute (CFSEI) will host a webinar on “Mid-Rise Cold-Formed Steel Construction and Design – A Case Study” on Thursday, April 9, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. EDT. The webinar is designed for architects, engineers, building officials and contractors. Participants are eligible for 1.5 continuing education hours.

The webinar will cover design considerations for several types of mid-rise buildings with emphasis on cost, fire protection, weights, soils, plan irregularity and trade coordination. It will also cover various types and combinations of cold-formed steel and hybrid systems. An in-depth discussion of the Wheaton Courthouse Square project, a six-story condominium unit over two parking levels located in metropolitan Chicago, will be included. The discussion will focus on this project’s design considerations, design processes for the different sections of the structure, and the problem areas and design solutions.

The webinar will be conducted by Pat Ford, P.E. of Matsen Ford Design Associates Inc. in Waukesha, Wisconsin, where he is responsible for principal management and engineering design. Ford’s prior experience includes management of engineering and business development for a central Wisconsin design/build firm, facilities planner for a multinational manufacturing company, and project engineer for a major steel construction products manufacturer. His work has included nearly all structural design, contract, and project management functions in a wide variety of commercial, industrial, and institutional building projects in addition to sales, marketing, and management of negotiated design/build projects.

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Ford's experience in cold-formed steel framing includes the application of many of the latest technologies and design concepts to load-bearing structures and a wide variety of curtainwall and prefabricated systems. His engineering systems design experience also includes structural steel, concrete, engineered masonry, wood, and other systems. More information on the webinar and registration details is available at www.cfsei.org.

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.

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