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S&P COMPLETES CONSTRUCTION OF NEW HISD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

HOUSTON, TEXAS (September 16, 2011) – Satterfield & Pontikes Construction, Inc. (S&P) recently completed construction of the new \$12.2 million Almeda Elementary School for the Houston Independent School District. The 82,000-square-foot replacement school accommodates 750 students in Pre-K through grade 5 and replaces the original school built in 1914.

The Construction Manager at Risk project included a new school building with steel-framed structure and brick veneer exterior, parking facilities and two outdoor play courts. The new facility includes 39 classrooms, two science rooms, computer lab, library/media center, art and music rooms, and multipurpose dining area with performance stage.

The new Almeda Elementary School is a registered Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) for Schools project. Advanced design and construction methods allowed pursuit of LEED certification as a facility that has achieved high environmental standards and building sustainability. LEED features of the new school include:

- Numerous windows and clerestories to reduce energy usage by maximizing natural light
- Energy-efficient windows and reflective roof
- Low-VOC materials, including paint and carpet
- Energy-efficient lighting and management system

Archi*Technics/3, Inc. provided architectural and design services for the project. S&P participated in a mentoring agreement with Glennlock Construction through a program in which S&P provides managerial and technical assistance to minority-owned businesses. The project team overcame delays due to 50 rain days and unforeseen site conditions to complete construction well ahead of the school's opening for the fall semester.

About Satterfield & Pontikes Construction

Established in 1989, Satterfield & Pontikes Construction, Inc. is an award-winning general contractor and construction manager. Engineering News-Record ranks S&P #105 in 'Top 400 Contractors' in the U.S. Texas Construction ranks S&P #18 in 'Top Texas Contractors' (out of 125 firms) and #2 in 'Educational Facility Construction.' S&P's commitment to sustainable construction also earned a spot on Engineering News-Record's 'Top 100 Green Builders' in America. ENR Texas and Louisiana selected S&P as one of 'Six Companies to Watch' in 2011.

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