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**KATHERINE BANICKI INDUCTED INTO PRESTIGIOUS
ESD COLLEGE OF FELLOWS**

Troy, Michigan – Katherine Banicki, FESD, President of Testing Engineers & Consultants, Inc., was inducted into the Engineering Society of Detroit (ESD) College of Fellows at ESD’s Annual Dinner held at the Book Cadillac in Detroit. Ms. Banicki is joining over 150 industry professionals in the Fellowship.



ESD Fellows are inducted by invitation from the Board of Directors for outstanding and extraordinary qualifications and experience in their professions. The areas in which nominees are evaluated are: “technical achievement; professional achievement; ESD service and leadership; and professional society service and leadership – as indicated by honors and awards, publications and patents, academic service and leadership, and community service and leadership.”

Ms. Banicki began her career 45 years ago when she and her husband John Banicki, PE, FESD, founded Testing Engineers & Consultants, Inc. (TEC) in 1966. As the leader of a woman-owned firm, she has faced many challenges and has emerged strong and well respected by her peers. A firm believer in community service, she is involved in numerous youth, civic, religious and professional organizations. Throughout her tenure as President, she has received many awards and honors for her role as a community and industry leader. She has received ESD’s Outstanding Leadership Award (2004), the Michigan Society of Professional Engineers (MSPE) President’s Citation (2001), was honored by the Wayne State University College of Engineering with the Socius Collegii Award (2003), and was honored by AIA Michigan as an Affiliate Member (2008).

Ms. Banicki’s philanthropic endeavors include participation in the NAWIC Block Kids – a national building program for grades 1-6, member of Oakland University’s “College of Education Creating the Future” Committee and Oakland University Advisory Board, and former Board of Trustees – Wm. Beaumont Foundation, which raises funds for hospital projects such as Children’s Miracle Network and cancer research. Ms. Banicki also supports many local non-profit organizations as well as numerous college scholarship funds

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that encourage pursuit of the engineering profession. Ms. Banicki attributes her success to hard work, solid relationships, and her staff of dedicated professionals.

TEC, a woman-owned business, provides client support from property acquisition through construction, renovation and restoration. Expertise includes environmental assessment, consulting and training; geotechnical and facilities engineering and consulting; construction materials testing; indoor air quality, asbestos, lead, and mold management services. Founded in 1966, TEC has offices in Troy, Ann Arbor, and Detroit.

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