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G.E.C., Inc.

Since its inception in 1987, G.E.C., Inc. (Gulf Engineers and Consultants) has grown from twelve employees to more than 200, impacted miles of Louisiana roadways, and risen to national prominence for its work with the Corps of Engineers on more than 1,000 projects throughout the country. “Our growth has been driven by work with the Corps, and we’re still in growth mode,” says G.E.C.’s senior vice president of marketing, Charlie Hinton.

G.E.C. provides integrated infrastructure planning and design services for transportation and water resource projects. Services include civil, structural, and electrical engineering; intelligent transportation system design; construction management; economic analysis; environmental investigations; and geographic information system applications. “Our range of specialized services is unique and rare for a company of our size,” states Hinton. “We are truly a multi-disciplined firm [with] a technical staff that includes...engineers, geologists, biologists, foresters, landscape architects, economists, planners, geographers, cartographers, anthropologists, and others.”

Seamless integration of services allows G.E.C. to compete with much larger firms, and to move projects smoothly from commencement to completion. Among those projects are flood control structures, levees, and pumping stations in New Orleans, as well as on-going work with the state’s \$5.1 billion TIMED road construction endeavor, which includes construction management for enlarging and strengthening the Huey P. Long Bridge, and construction management of the Audubon Bridge.

Hinton is proud of the firm’s many accomplishments and its national prominence, but is quick to note that its success is built upon relationships, particularly its close working relationships with the Corps and LaDOTD. “We work as an extension of a client’s staff and are known to be easy to work with. We develop long term relationships with our clients through hard work and dedication to apply ‘best practices.’”

The company’s federal and state experience is a tremendous advantage when working on local projects, and Hinton is eager to become more involved with public, private, and commercial projects at the local level. BRAC membership is one tool he plans to use to connect with the local business community and raise awareness of G.E.C.’s capabilities.

For more information, please visit www.gecinc.com.

