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**Kilbourne Honored with “Young Engineer of the Year” Award by
Southeastern Michigan Branch of ASCE**

Detroit, MI (May 30, 2007) - - Spalding DeDecker Associates’(SDA) Beth Kilbourne was presented with the “Young Engineer of the Year” Award from the Southeastern Michigan Branch of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE). Kilbourne, an engineer in SDA’s Municipal Department, has been a very active member of the Southeast Michigan Branch of ASCE and currently serves as the Secretary to the Committee on Younger Members (CYM). She also has led the CYM Outreach Program through 2006 and served as a panelist at the 2007 ASCE Student Night.

“Beth is very deserving of this award. Her professional achievements, personal accomplishments and dedication to ASCE prove her commitment to the civil engineering profession,” said Jacob Rushlow, an engineer with Orchard Hiltz & McCliment, who nominated Kilbourne for the award. “This award is a stepping stone for Beth, who has a wonderful career ahead of her.”

Kilbourne works on many water and sewage master plans, hydraulic models, flow monitoring programs and evaluation studies for various committees at SDA. Most notably, Kilbourne worked to develop a complete sanitary sewer system hydraulic model for Clinton Township that would increase the flow capacity of the sewer.

The “Young Engineer of the Year” Award recognizes a young engineer that has worked above and beyond in terms of service to the branch as well as their professional work performance. Individuals had to be nominated for the award and then the Branch Board members voted to determine to recipient.

Kilbourne resides in Rochester Hills.

Established in 1954, Spalding DeDecker Associates, Inc. is an engineering consulting firm specializing in infrastructure, land development and surveying. With offices in Detroit, Rochester Hills and Trenton, Michigan, SDA is an employee owned and ISO certified organization that provides design and engineering solutions for municipal, land development, transportation and water/wastewater projects. The firm also offers complete construction engineering and land surveying & mapping services.

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