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PAETEC Selects Bergmann Associates to Design New World Headquarters

FAIRPORT, N.Y. – March 21, 2011 – PAETEC Holding Corp. (NASDAQ GS: PAET), a Fortune 1000 company that provides advanced communication solutions to businesses nationwide, announced that it has selected the architectural and engineering firm, Bergmann Associates, to design its planned 225,000 square-foot world headquarters in Downtown Rochester. Joining the project team will be LaBella Associates and Clark Patterson Lee, who will be responsible for the electrical engineering and civil engineering pieces of the project respectively. The \$55M project will be designed to be highly environmentally conscious. The building will anchor the new Midtown Block and sit on the southeast corner of Clinton Avenue and Main Street. PAETEC is scheduled to occupy their new headquarters in June of 2013.

Located in the heart of Rochester's center city, PAETEC's headquarters is also planned to include retail space, a rooftop garden for public and private events, advanced technology for energy efficiency, and sophisticated exterior LED lighting effects.

Bergmann Associates, with ten U.S. offices and 340 professionals, is headquartered in Rochester, NY. The firm has designed multiple notable projects in the Rochester area including the City of Rochester Public Safety Building, Wegmans School of Pharmacy at St. John Fisher, and the University of Rochester's new Warner Graduate School of Education.

"Bergmann is thrilled to be leading the design for such a significant project in the heart of our city," said Jim Durfee, Bergmann's Principal Architect. "We are already working on new and exciting design alternatives for the building that will enhance the new urban district it will anchor."

"After considering many outstanding firms, we ultimately selected Bergmann Associates for its stellar reputation, experience designing prominent buildings, and their understanding of the Rochester community," said PAETEC CEO Arunas Chesonis. "Throughout the process, we'll be sharing the drawings and developments with the community."

Information about the overall Midtown project can be found at the City of Rochester web site at http://www.cityofrochester.gov/midtown/.

About PAETEC

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About Bergmann Associates

Bergmann Associates is a progressive, forward-thinking architectural and engineering design firm with three decades of success providing multi-disciplinary services to clients throughout the United States. Headquartered in Rochester, NY, Bergmann has ten U.S. offices and 340 professional and technical staff featuring talented planners, architects, interior designers, landscape architects, programmers, developers, structural, civil, environmental, mechanical, electrical, and industrial engineers. — Our People and Our Passion in Every Project.

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