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NAVFAC INSTRUCTION 5061.5C

From: Commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command

Subj: NAVFACENGCOM ENGINEER OF THE YEAR AND FEDERAL ENGINEER  
OF THE YEAR AWARDS PROGRAM

Encl: (1) Naval Facilities Engineering Command Engineer of the Year Award Program

1. Purpose. To provide for the encouragement and recognition of individual engineering excellence, outstanding professional achievement, and technical expertise. Each year one civilian and one military nominee from each Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFACENGCOM) component, including Headquarters, may be submitted to compete for the NAVFACENGCOM Civilian and Military Engineer of the Year Award. Winners of the NAVFACENGCOM Civilian and Military Engineer of the Year awards will continue on as the NAVFACENGCOM nominees competing for the prestigious National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE) Federal Engineer of the Year Award.

2. Cancellation. This instruction cancels NAVFACINST 5061.5B of 12 May 1994.

3. Background.

a. The Naval Facilities Engineering Command participates in the annual NSPE Federal Engineer of the Year Award Program. The Chief Engineer's (CHENG) office coordinates NAVFACENGCOM participation with NSPE, provides technical guidance, and establishes Headquarters selection panels and procedures.

b. NAVFACENGCOM may submit a civilian and a military nominee to NSPE to compete with other Federal agency nominees for NSPE Federal Engineer of the Year. If adequate nominees are received in each category NAVFACENGCOM will recognize a NAVFACENGCOM civilian Engineer of the Year and a NAVFACENGCOM military Engineer of the Year.

4. Action.

a. NAVFACENGCOM HQ CHENG will announce detailed procedures and schedule annually to coordinate NAVFACENGCOM's participation in the annual NSPE program.

b. Addressees shall, in accordance with enclosure (1), select a Component Civilian and Military Engineer of the Year to compete for NAVFACENGCOCM Civilian and Military Engineer of the Year.

c. Addressees shall forward nominations to Commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Code CHENG.

5. Nomination Forms. Nomination forms and specific timelines change annually and will be distributed with the announcement.

6. Privacy Act. The safeguard provisions of the Privacy Act of 1979 (P. L. 93-574) apply to nominations and correspondence for this program.



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Naval Facilities Engineering Command  
Engineer of the Year Award Program

1. Purpose. To recognize outstanding individual engineering achievements, to encourage professionalism and promote excellence in engineering within the Naval Facilities Engineering Command, and to cooperate with NSPE in its Federal Engineer of the Year Award Program.

2. Eligibility. Professionally registered civilian engineers employed by a NAVFACENGCOCOM component and CEC officers who are professionally registered engineers nominated by a NAVFACENGCOCOM component. Only licensed professional engineers (PEs) are eligible for nomination to NSPE's Top Ten Finalists, and therefore Federal Engineer of the Year.

3. Criteria. Exceptional educational and collegiate achievements; professional and technical society activities; civic and humanitarian activities; awards or honors; professional registration; continuing competence development during the last three years; with primary emphasis on engineering achievements.

4. Selection.

a. Component Civilian and Military Engineer of the Year. Each field component and NAVFACENGCOCOM HQ shall:

(1) Announce program and distribute nomination forms and submission deadlines to appropriate discipline managers encouraging participation by all branches and field offices.

(2) Set up a selection panel comprised of at least one member from four engineering disciplines (i.e., electrical, mechanical, civil, structural) and a chairperson.

(3) Select and endorse a Component Civilian and Military Engineer of the Year and forward the nomination package to the Commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Code CHENG in accordance with submission announcement and deadlines.

(4) Arrange for and carry out award ceremony to recognize individuals selected prior to February each year. Publicize to maximum extent feasible in the local news media, professional society publications and, in general, make the selection widely known.

(5) As resources permit, field components shall provide funding for their nominee and appropriate Manager/Division Director to attend the NSPE awards ceremony if their nominee is selected as the NAVFACENGCOCOM Civilian or Military Engineer of the Year.

Enclosure (1)

b. NAVFACENGCOM Civilian and Military Engineer of the Year. NAVFAC Code CHENG shall establish a selection panel and procedures to recommend the top three nominees from field components and Headquarters to NAVFAC Code 09. NAVFAC Code 09 shall select the NAVFACENGCOM Civilian and Military Engineer of the Year. Prior to February of each year NAVFAC Code CHENG will arrange for and hold an awards ceremony to recognize the individual selected as NAVFACENGCOM HQ Engineer of the Year and NAVFACENGCOM Civilian and Military Engineer of the Year, as appropriate.

5. Award. The NAVFACENGCOM Civilian and Military Engineer of the Year and NSPE Federal Engineer of the Year shall be awarded plaques, appropriately inscribed. Components should provide local recognition for their Component Engineers of the Year with an award such as a plaque or Certificate of Recognition.

6. Presentation. Both the NAVFACENGCOM Engineers of the Year and the NSPE Federal Engineer of the Year Award plaques will be presented during the NSPE Engineers' Week Ceremony normally held each February.