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Subject: 2013 USACE Engineer of the Year Award Winner

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1. This ECB announces the winner of the second annual USACE Engineer of the Year Award. This year's winner was selected from nominations submitted by the MSCs, Centers and ERDC. The selection criteria are similar to the Federal Engineer of the Year Award (FEYA) program sponsored by the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE).
2. The 2013 USACE Engineer of the Year is Nashville District's **Mr. Michael F. Zoccola**. Mr. Zoccola made significant contributions to the engineering and construction body of knowledge, to USACE and the Nation through his work on two critical Dam Safety Action Class 1 Dams – Wolf Creek and Center Hill. His leadership in accomplishing interim and permanent risk reduction actions on two dams classified with the highest risks is an outstanding example of technical competency and project leadership within the Engineering and Construction community. Mike led the interdisciplinary teams throughout all phases of these projects to develop innovative techniques for deep foundation seepage cutoff systems. As a direct result of his exemplary leadership and technical expertise, CELRN's dam safety rehabilitation projects are recognized as models to be studied and emulated throughout USACE and industry.
3. Mr. Zoccola will be formally recognized at the USACE annual awards ceremony during the Summer Senior Leader's Conference (subject to conference approval).
4. Mr. Zoccola will be the USACE nominee for the FEYA program later this year. The preparation of a competitive nomination package will begin immediately by my staff working closely with CELRN.
5. The USACE point of contact for this ECB is Paul Dicker, CECW-CE, (202) 761-0995; email: paul.f.dicker@usace.army.mil.

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