

PRIME AE Enhances Southeast Presence with Connelly & Wicker, Inc. Acquisition

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PRIME AE Group, Inc. (PRIME AE), a subsidiary of NewHold, proudly announces its recent acquisition in Florida. Welcoming Connelly & Wicker (CWI) into its fold, PRIME AE boldly expands its Southeast presence. Headquartered in Jacksonville with an additional office in Orlando, CWI is a versatile firm offering civil engineering, highway engineering and design, utility engineering, landscape architecture, and environmental permitting services across public and private sectors. Boasting four decades of expertise, the CWI team brings invaluable knowledge to various markets including commercial, industrial, institutional, recreational, residential, and transportation.

Connelly & Wicker joins Prosser | PRIME AE in the Southeast division of the PRIME AE family, simultaneously creating the most robust planning and engineering firm in Northeast Florida. Brad Davis, Senior Vice President of the Southeast Region at PRIME AE, expresses enthusiasm, remarking, "The collaboration between our firms, long discussed among leadership, has finally come to fruition. We could not be more excited to work alongside CWI, offering comprehensive service to our clients. The combination of firms is a real win for our Florida team."

In line with its vision for strategic growth, PRIME AE aims to develop regional "design and engineering centers" built on client-centric relationships, fostering mutual success for the firm and its customers. CEO Kurt Bergman emphasizes, "Throughout my career, prioritizing client success through strong relationship building has yielded the greatest results. Integrating CWI into the PRIME AE family reinforces this philosophy and propels our vision for the Southeast forward. We are dedicated to advancing engineering, planning, and design services that set the standard in the industry."

"Partnering with PRIME AE is a great opportunity that we are excited about", said Rick Welch, Connelly & Wicker Inc. President. "After 41 years of dedicated service, we are happy to join a larger team that will enable us to help the community we care so much about. This will create new opportunities for our employees and our company. Together our team can be even stronger and continue to exceed expectations of clients like we have since 1983."

PRIME AE's commitment extends to aggressive investment in the Southeast market, delivering superior regional engineering solutions while upholding nationally recognized excellence in architecture, planning, and design. The firm continues to expand its geographic footprint, service offerings, and capabilities through organic growth and strategic acquisitions. This is PRIME AE's fifth acquisition in the last five years.

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