



2025

GOLDEN PIPE ENGINEERING AWARD



The Golden Pipe Engineering Award is designed to recognize engineers who demonstrate the highest degree of merit and integrity for the utility construction industry. Entries are based upon a point system 1-5 with 5 being the highest in each category. This award will bring awareness to GUCA members of those engineering firms to be recognized for their talents and expertise in their industry through working with utility contractors.

Category: ☐ Water ☐ Sewer ☐ Energy ☐ Other

Subcategories: Dams; Water or Sewer Treatment Plants; Sewer Intake; Piping Installations; etc.
(describe) _____

Name of Project: _____

Date Project Bid: _____ Date Project Started: _____

☐ Project Completed Date: _____ ☐ Substantially Completed _____
Estimated % of time completed

Cost of Project: \$ _____ Length of Project: _____

Engineering Firm: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Website: _____

1. Please rate scale of excellence below. Circle 1-5 (5 being the highest).

Bid Phase

a.	Knowledge of Georgia Procurement Code	1	2	3	4	5
b.	Fair Bid Award Process	1	2	3	4	5
c.	Quality of Plans	1	2	3	4	5
d.	Quality of Specifications	1	2	3	4	5
e.	Understanding of UC License Requirements	1	2	3	4	5
f.	Accuracy of Project Budget	1	2	3	4	5
g.	Fairness in Risk Assessment	1	2	3	4	5
h.	Quality of Proposal Form	1	2	3	4	5
i.	Responsiveness to RFI	1	2	3	4	5
j.	Project Schedule/Time of Completion	1	2	3	4	5
k.	Clarity of Instructions to Bidders	1	2	3	4	5

Design Phase

a.	Consistency of Design	1	2	3	4	5
b.	Approach to Constructability	1	2	3	4	5
c.	Knowledge of Means & Methods	1	2	3	4	5

d.	Attention to Detail	1	2	3	4	5
e.	Adherence to Owners Standards	1	2	3	4	5
f.	Dealing with Existing Infrastructure	1	2	3	4	5
g.	Bid Quantities Matched Actual Quantities	1	2	3	4	5
h.	Equity of Contract Terms	1	2	3	4	5
i.	Selection of Products and Alternates	1	2	3	4	5
j.	Realistic Completion Schedule	1	2	3	4	5
k.	Clarity of Design	1	2	3	4	5

Construction Phase

a.	Timeliness of Submittal Process	1	2	3	4	5
b.	Timeliness of Processing Pay Request	1	2	3	4	5
c.	Changed Conditions Management	1	2	3	4	5
d.	Response to RFI	1	2	3	4	5
e.	Handling of Claims/Disputes	1	2	3	4	5
f.	Process of Reviewing Monthly Pay Request	1	2	3	4	5
g.	Quality of Project Management	1	2	3	4	5
h.	Quality of Project Inspection	1	2	3	4	5
i.	Design Plans vs. Actual Conditions	1	2	3	4	5
j.	Willingness to Work with Contractor	1	2	3	4	5

Overall

a.	Spirit of Cooperation	1	2	3	4	5
b.	Fairness	1	2	3	4	5
c.	Professionalism	1	2	3	4	5

2. Describe in detail this job/project and how this engineer or engineering firm helped make the job successful. Submit additional comments on a separate sheet.

3. Please provide pictures of the project along with materials and plan descriptions.

4. Named of the engineer who made this project a success?_____

Email:_____ Phone:_____

5. Submitted by:_____ Company_____

Address:_____ City:_____ State:_____ Zip:_____

Email:_____ Contact phone #:_____

Criteria: Deadline for submittal is September 30, 2025. The award will be presented November 6, 2025 in conjunction with the GUCA Fall Quarterly Meeting. Nomination must be by a GUCA member who actually worked on this project with the nominated Engineer.

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