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**Walton Construction Vice President of Operations Named  
Design-Build Institute of America Mid-America Chapter President**

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (October 23, 2007) – The Mid-America Chapter of Design-Build Institute of America (DBIA-MAC) announced Jeff Turk, DBIA as the new president and board chair. Turk, vice president of operations for the Kansas City division of Walton Construction Company, LLC., will receive the gavel at the Semi-Annual Regional Conference on Thursday, October 11, 2007.

As president, Turk's responsibilities include setting the goals and vision for the organization's future activities as well as oversight of the chapter's committees and activities within the four state region served by this chapter.

"I intend to focus on the education and promotion of best practices of the design-build project delivery method so the advantages of this delivery method are fully realized," said Turk.

Prior to becoming president, Turk was vice president and board vice chair/president-elect of the Mid-America chapter that includes Kansas, Missouri, Iowa and Nebraska. He also served on DBIA-MAC's Education Committee and the Kansas City Steering Committee. Turk received recognition as a Designated Design-Build Professional™ from the Design-Build Institute of America in 2004.

*Founded in 1993 to advocate and advance single source project delivery, the Design-Build Institute of America and Mid-America Chapter believe that integrated facilities delivery possesses fundamental advantages over traditional project delivery methods practiced in the United States and abroad. Design-build is a project delivery system whereby a single entity provides comprehensive design and construction services to an owner under a single contract.*

*Walton Construction Company, LLC., which maintains full-service offices in Kansas City, St. Louis, Springfield, Mo., Dallas, and New Orleans, is ranked among the top contractors in the United States by Engineering News Record. Established in 1985, Walton Construction has grown steadily to become a leader in pre-construction, general contracting, design-build and construction management services.*

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