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KLOTZ ASSOCIATES ADDING TO MANAGEMENT TEAM

Houston - Klotz Associates, in response to a growing client list, has announced today that Cynthia Kelsch, PE, Rick Liesse, PE, RPLS and Jerry Newell, PE have joined the firm.

"Throughout the state, and in Houston specifically, we are seeing ambitious infrastructure plans," noted D. Wayne Klotz, PE, D.WRE, President of Klotz Associates and current President of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE). "Here, we're ready for them. Experienced professionals like Cynthia, Rick and Jerry help move us forward to meet these new challenges head-on."



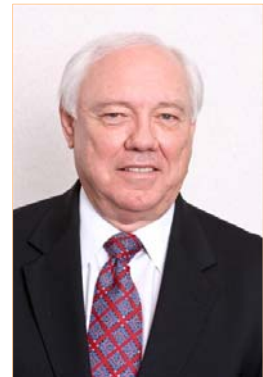
Cynthia Kelsch, PE, with her expertise in municipal utilities and roadways, is stepping into the role of **Municipal Services Department Manager**. Ms. Kelsch has worked on projects for the City of Houston, Port of Houston Authority (POHA), Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and Harris County Toll Road Authority (HCTRA). In 1986, Ms. Kelsch earned her B.S. in Civil Engineering at the University of Houston, where she returned

for her MBA. She has remained active in the University's Alumni Association. Ms. Kelsch is a member of the Society of Women Engineers (SWE) and is a past ASCE Houston Branch President.



Rick Liesse, PE, RPLS brings with him 30 years of highway and transportation engineering experience. In his position as **Toll Road, Transit & Rail Department Manager**, Liesse's primary focus will be on Klotz Associates' work with the HCTRA, Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County (METRO) and other transit agencies statewide. Liesse has managed over 40 projects for TxDOT and is a Registered Professional Land Surveyor (RPLS). He received his B.S. in Civil Engineering from the University of Illinois. He is a member of Texas Society of Professional Engineers (TSPE), Houston Engineering & Scientific Society (HESS) and ASCE. Liesse is a graduate of Leadership Houston.

A professional engineer for thirty-five years, Jerry Newell, PE will draw upon his multi-disciplined background as Klotz Associates' **Director of Client Services**. Newell received a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Texas and has years of professional marketing experience for several engineering firms. He is a National Committee Member of the American Water Works Association (AWWA) and is active in many other professional and community organizations. He has served on the Board of the Texas Water Conservation Association (TWCA) and has chaired several committees of the Texas Municipal Utility Association (TMUA). Newell is a founding member of the Economic Development Alliance for Brazoria County.



Klotz Associates is a full service civil engineering firm. Founded in 1985, Klotz Associates provides traffic, transportation, land development, ITS, water and sewer, aviation and drainage consulting engineering services. Klotz Associates was twice named to Zweig-White's Hottest List of fastest growing firms in the engineering, architectural and environmental consulting industry. For more information call 281-589-7257 or visit www.klotz.com.



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