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David Carrithers New Industry Chair of Center for Job Order Contracting Excellence

USA—April 2, 2008—David Carrithers, has been sworn in as the industry chair of the Center for Job Order Contracting Excellence (CJE).

Carrithers, known as a champion of building improved relationships and communications within the construction industry and a strong believer in building awareness of Job Order Contracting (JOC). He was elected on a multifaceted platform that promoted increased member involvement in CJE; increased outreach among all segments of Job Order Contracting including contractors, public-funded owners, consultants, subcontractors, educators; improved membership value; and the formation of new regional CJE chapters.

The CJE's objectives include national education programs and activities for both new potential users and practitioners, experienced individuals as well, to the benefits and practices of JOC; developing an Owner Practices and Procedures Manual including forms, guidelines and documents; and improving the industry through performance feedback, education and training.

Carrithers brings more than 25 years of change management, marketing, sales, operations and non-profit management experience to the office. "The opportunity to help grow awareness, understanding and interest around the ideals of Job Order Contracting—cooperation, improved communications, long term relationships and performance-based construction—is exciting," Carrithers says.

"There is a need within the facilities and larger infrastructure markets for a relationship-focused, non-adversarial approach to construction, renovation and rehabilitation. All publicly-funded facilities—Federal, state and municipal—require flexible ways to address the demands of this type of construction. With over \$100 billion a year being spent we must provide new solutions, new levels of communication and creativity in relationships focused on owner results."

"The construction industry needs to go through a rediscovery and redefinition of what it is really all about. That dialog needs to take place among owners, designers, builders and users. I would challenge us all to realize it has very little to do with the concrete and steel, and much more to do with the desired results and relationships – experiences both in the work at hand and in the long term life of the facility or campus," Carrithers continues. "CJE offers one avenue for these unique and positive conversations to take place about our jointly shaped future."

About Center For Job Order Contracting Excellence : *Founded in 1994 the Mission of the organization is to promote a cost effective, efficient, performance based, high quality Job Order Contracting project delivery system through the development and education for the industry. The organization supports best practices sharing, research, network and industry development efforts focused on JOC. Members include facility owners, managers, JOC contractors, educators, consultants, service providers, publishers and students. For more information go to www.JOCexcellence.org*