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RON BENSON JOINS BONESTROO AS SENIOR BRIDGE ENGINEER

St. Paul, MN (September 4, 2008) – Ron Benson has joined Bonestroo as a senior bridge engineer and project manager in the firm's transportation group. He has 20 years of experience in bridge design and inspection that encompasses a wide variety of bridge types.

Benson has managed the design of new bridges and rehabilitation projects for many highway bridges in Minnesota, as well as recreation and timber vehicle bridges nationwide. His designs have used concrete, steel, and timber for bridges that have fit varying site conditions. Benson has also conducted load ratings and special inspections for existing bridges, including detailed structural evaluation of all types of structures considering existing condition and providing relevant recommendations. Kevin Hoglund, Bonestroo's Transportation group leader, said, "The depth of Ron's bridge knowledge and experience from inspection to design will greatly enhance the structural services we provide to our clients. I'm excited about continuing to grow our transportation services and expanding the capabilities of our Bridge Team. Ron's wealth of knowledge and experience serving Minnesota counties, cities, and townships will be a tremendous benefit to our clients."

Benson holds a Bachelor of Civil Engineering degree from the University of Minnesota. He is a Licensed Professional Engineer in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, and 44 other states, and is a member of the Minnesota Surveyors and Engineers Society and the Minnesota Concrete Council.

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