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Belt Collins Acquires Colorado Consulting Firm

Second Colorado Acquisition Expands Areas of Expertise for the Growing Company

HONOLULU, HI (April 8, 2009) – Belt Collins, a Honolulu-based planning, civil engineering, landscape architecture, and environmental consulting firm, announces the acquisition of Love & Associates, Inc., a Louisville, Colorado water resource consulting firm. This recent move continues Belt Collins’ strategy of strengthening its position with additional resources and fields of expertise.

Love & Associates, Inc., now known as Belt Collins West, is a full service water resource consulting firm with a staff of seven. Founded in 1985, it specializes in storm drainage and flood control, water resource planning and management, civil engineering, water-based recreation, wetland solutions and construction management services.

“We are very pleased with the acquisition and excited about the possibilities for collaboration,” comments Anne Mapes, chairman and CEO of Belt Collins Hawaii, “With the acquisition of Love & Associates, we are able to provide greater value and service to our clients locally, on the Mainland and internationally.”

“We delighted to join such a highly regarded design firm as Belt Collins,” said Nancy Boudreau Love, principal of Love & Associates. “Our staff is looking forward to collaborating with professionals in Belt Collins’ other offices on U.S. and international projects,” she added.

The acquisition of Loves & Associates is Belt Collins’s second acquisition in the state of Colorado. In November 2007, Belt Collins acquired Shapins & Associates, located in Boulder, Colorado.

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In addition to its U.S. offices in Honolulu, Seattle, and Boulder and Louisville, Belt Collins has offices in Hong Kong and Shenzhen, China; Singapore; Bangkok, Thailand; Guam; and the Philippines. Founded in Honolulu in 1953, Belt Collins has grown from a staff of two to over 500 professional and support staff. Services provided include planning, civil and sanitary engineering, landscape architecture, environmental consulting, GIS and graphic design. Acknowledged internationally as a leading design and consulting company, Belt Collins is best known for its extensive work in planned resorts, residential development and community design both in Hawaii and internationally. Visit the firm's award-winning web site at www.beltcollins.com.

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