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## STERLING CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. AFFILIATE, ROAD AND HIGHWAY BUILDERS, IS APPARENT LOW BIDDER ON A NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PROJECT VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY \$20 MILLION

HOUSTON, TX – September 25, 2013 – Sterling Construction Company, Inc. (NasdaqGS: STRL) ("Sterling" or the "Company") today announced that its affiliate, Road & Highway Builders, was apparent low bidder on a \$19.7 million Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) project. NDOT Contract Number 3550 consists of rebuilding State Highways 225, 535, and 227 in Elko, Nevada. The project, which includes constructing utility systems, earthwork, HMAC paving, polyester concrete bridge deck overlay, and concrete structures, is expected to begin in the Spring of 2014 and be completed by the end of the year.

Peter MacKenna, Sterling's President and Chief Executive Officer commented, "The once thriving Nevada road construction market is beginning to show signs of growth, and we are well positioned to capitalize on these opportunities as they become available."

Sterling is a leading heavy civil construction company that specializes in the building and reconstruction of transportation and water infrastructure projects in Texas, Utah, Nevada, Arizona, California and other states where there are construction opportunities. Its transportation infrastructure projects include highways, roads, bridges and light rail and its water infrastructure projects include water, wastewater and storm drainage systems.

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