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**STERLING CONSTRUCTION ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF
NEW CIO AND IT OPERATIONS DIRECTOR**

HOUSTON, TX – November 6, 2012 – Sterling Construction Company, Inc. (NasdaqGS: STRL), ("Sterling" or the "Company") is proud to announce the recruitment of two highly respected industry figures: Scott DeMasse and John Perkins.

Scott DeMasse joins Sterling as Senior Vice President and Chief Information Officer and John Perkins as the new Director of IT Operations. "Scott comes to us with over 15 years of experience in consolidating IT infrastructure and systems, improving measurement, and focusing on process improvement," stated Peter Mac Kenna, CEO of Sterling. "As our new CIO, we will look to Scott to enhance Sterling's IT processes and systems, and ensure continuity."

Mr. DeMasse comes to Sterling with an extensive background in IT infrastructure development, systems integration, and team leadership. His resume includes an 11 year stint as Regional Director of IT at Skanska USA, and in recent years, he has served as Senior Director of Information Technology at Flatiron Construction Corp. Mr. Demasse commented, "As the new CIO, I'll work with Sterling's executive team to align and coordinate their IT needs and ensure that operational and financial benefits are realized from our IT platform."

John Perkins began his IT career at CDK Skanska in 1998, and worked his way up from business unit IT Manager to ERP Specialist for Skanska USA. Most recently he served as Senior IT Manager at Flatiron Construction in 2009. "John's previous background in IT systems support, user support, and platform integration makes him an invaluable asset to our IT operation; he is a welcome addition to the Sterling team," stated Mr. Mac Kenna.

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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