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**STERLING CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. ANNOUNCES CLOSING OF  
COMMON STOCK OFFERING**

THE WOODLANDS, TX — May 9, 2016 — Sterling Construction Company, Inc. (Nasdaq GS: STRL) (the “Company” or “Sterling”) today announced the completion of the offering of 4,500,000 shares of common stock announced earlier and 675,000 shares of common stock to cover over-allotments pursuant to an option that was exercised by the underwriter prior to closing. The offering resulted in net proceeds to the Company of approximately \$19.0 million.

The Company announced the pricing of the offering on May 3, 2016, at \$4.00 per share to the public and proceeds of \$3.77 per share to the Company after underwriting discounts.

Mr. Paul Varello, Sterling’s CEO, purchased 125,000 shares of common stock in this offering at the public offering price for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$500,000.

The \$19.0 million of net proceeds from the offering are intended to be used for working capital, to repay indebtedness outstanding under the revolving loan portion of its equipment-based credit facility and for general corporate purposes.

The securities described above are being offered by the Company pursuant to a shelf registration statement which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 4, 2014 and became effective on April 29, 2014. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy these securities, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state or jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state or jurisdiction. The completion of the offering is subject to customary closing conditions.

Copies of the final prospectus supplement and base prospectus relating to the offering can be obtained at the SEC’s website at <http://www.sec.gov> or from D.A. Davidson & Co. at 8 Third Street North, Great Falls, MT 59401 or by calling (800) 332-5915.

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, Colorado, Arizona, California, Hawaii, and other states where there are construction opportunities. Its transportation infrastructure projects include highways, roads, bridges, airfields and light rail. Its water infrastructure projects include water, wastewater and storm drainage systems.

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