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Balfour Beatty Construction's Ray Southern receives Ultimate CEO Award

(Dallas, TX – September 23, 2010) Ray Southern, president and chief executive officer for Balfour Beatty Construction's Florida division, was recently named a 2010 recipient of the Broward Ultimate CEO Award by the *South Florida Business Journal*. The award celebrates the careers and leadership of ten Broward County CEOs who set the standard in the South Florida corporate community.

"I am honored to receive this award," reflected Southern, "and it's humbling to see my name listed among some of Broward County's top leaders. But I know I wouldn't be where I am today without the people whose hard work, dedication, and innovative thinking have contributed to Balfour Beatty's success."

Southern joined Balfour Beatty Construction, then Frank J. Rooney Construction, as a project engineer in 1973. He quickly rose through the ranks, becoming chief executive officer. During his career, Southern has led his team through two acquisitions—first by Centex Construction and then by Balfour Beatty in 2007—and today he heads the company's Florida division, which has averaged \$500 million in annual revenue for the last ten years, making the company the largest general contractor in South Florida.

"Ray inspires others through his passion for service, his knowledge of our industry, and his commitment to his team," said Robert Van Cleave, chairman and CEO for Balfour Beatty Construction. "He has achieved much in his career, and he truly deserves this honor."

Southern received a degree in building construction from the University of Florida in 1973. Committed to his alma mater, he serves on the Board of Directors for the BCN South Florida Gator Alumni Association and is an executive committee member with the University of Florida's M.E. Rinker, Sr., School of Building Construction Advisory Council.

An active leader in his community, Southern serves on the Board of Directors with the Community Foundation of Broward County and United Way of Broward County. He is also a member of the United Way Tocqueville Society and the CEO Council for Broward Alliance.

The South Florida Business Journal, along with sponsors CBIZ, Humana, Greenspoon Marder and Wachovia, a Wells Fargo Company, will honor the 2010 Broward Ultimate CEOs at a reception and ceremony at the Hyatt Regency Pier 66 in Fort Lauderdale, FL, on Thursday, October 28, 2010.

About Balfour Beatty Construction

Balfour Beatty Construction, a leader in the U.S. commercial construction industry for 77 years, provides general contracting, at-risk construction management, design-build, preconstruction, public/private, and turnkey services for public and private clients nationwide. The company employs 2,100 professionals, is a Top 10 Green Builder, and was recently named one of the 100 Best Companies To Work For® in the U.S. by *Fortune Magazine*. The company is part of London-based Balfour Beatty plc, a global leader in professional services, construction services, support services, and infrastructure investment, with over \$16 billion in annual revenues. To learn more, visit balfourbeattyus.com.