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Local Architectural Firm Recognized for its Participation in National Forums

ALTOONA, PA— The American Institute of Architects (AIA) recently recognized architect, Judy Coutts, AIA, for another year of participation in its Work-on-the-Boards survey and its Home Design Trends survey.

The Work-on-the-Boards Survey is used by the AIA to generate its prestigious Architecture Billings Index (ABI), which is used as a leading economic indicator related to the design and construction industry. The Home Design Trends survey is used by the Institute to forecast trends in residential design in the United States.

Survey participants respond to monthly questionnaires related to business conditions and trends they are noticing in their practices. Ms. Coutts has participated in these surveys for the past three years.

Ms. Coutts has 31 years of experience on architectural projects of varying sizes, from houses to hospitals, from a nuclear and chemical waste handling facility for the National Institutes of Health to satellite earth stations for NORAD. Hers is the first woman-owned architectural firm in Blair County, and is certified as a Woman Business Enterprise by the Pennsylvania Department of General Services.

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