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**Reed Construction Data Inc and the Association of Consulting Engineers of Canada
Announce Alliance Partnership**

Toronto, ON (April 23, 2007) – Reed Construction Data Inc (RCD) and the Association of Consulting Engineers of Canada (ACEC) have announced the signing of an alliance agreement that will see the two organizations combining resources and cooperating in various initiatives intended to promote and support common goals and interests.

The agreement includes a number of provisions designed to increase the exposure and reach of RCD's products among Canadian Consulting Engineers. In turn, RCD will provide promotional and marketing opportunities to the ACEC to assist in advancing the organization and the profession throughout Canada.

Among other advantages, ACEC members will enjoy unlimited access to selected RCD products, including Buildcore and Project Source, as well as substantial discounts on RCD's suite of industry intelligence products, including Daily Commercial News, Journal of Commerce, CanaData Forecaster, and additional industry leading analysis and forecasting tools. ACEC members will also benefit from reduced admissions to RCD's annual CanaData Construction Industry Forecasts Conference. In turn, the ACEC will promote and endorse RCD as a business partner, provide promotional and endorsement opportunities on communications and at the annual ACEC Conference, and employ RCD as a sole provider of construction industry intelligence.

“The ACEC is a strong and dynamic organization with an outstanding reputation for professional integrity and ethical practices,” states Mark Casaletto, Reed Construction Data's Managing Director. “We believe this alliance is a natural fit. Reed Construction Data is Canada's leading provider of the industry intelligence Consulting Engineers need to succeed in today's competitive market. With comprehensive coverage and informed analysis of every sector of the construction industry, we're uniquely positioned to assist in advancing the Engineering profession. ACEC members are both an obvious audience and highly desirable clients for RCD's products and services.”

“We are excited about our alliance with RCD,” notes Claude Paul Boivin, CAE, ACEC's President and Chief Operating Officer. “They've been a trusted source of industry insight and opportunity for many years, and we're delighted that our members will now have increased access to timely and reliable information Consulting Engineers use every day, as well as dependable forecasts needed to plan for tomorrow's challenges. RCD's commitment to the Canadian construction industry and the qualified Engineering professionals shaping the country's future, combined with a reputation for accuracy and integrity, are both in keeping with ACEC goals and of substantial benefit to the ACEC and its members.”

About Reed Construction Data

Reed Construction Data is the leading provider of industry news and information solutions to Canada's construction industry. In addition to Buildcore, RCD Canada's products include Daily Commercial News, Journal of Commerce, Building Reports, and the CanaData suite of forecasting and planning tools. Reed Construction Data is an active participant in the construction industry, partnering with its customers and industry associations to meet customer information needs. Reed Construction Data is a division of Reed Business Information, a leading provider of critical information and marketing solutions to business professionals and a member of the Reed Elsevier Group plc.
(NYSE: RUK and ENL).

About the Association of Consulting Engineers of Canada

ACEC is the voice of the Canadian private sector engineering companies – a \$13.5 billion a year industry which generates 30% of its revenues from international work. Founded in 1925, ACEC is the national association of consulting firms that provide engineering and other technology-based intellectual services to the built and natural environment. Member companies offer professional engineering services world wide to private sector and government clients. The ACEC's mission is to promote and safeguard the business and professional interests of the Canadian consulting engineering industry in Canada and abroad.

The Association's membership consists of approximately 600 independent consulting engineering firms and 11 provincial and territorial member organizations. Members range in size from single-person operations to multinational companies, collectively offering 35 types of services in 273 specializations within 14 major economic sectors.

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