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#### DENARK HIRES PROJECT MANAGERS TO ENSURE CONTINUED QUALITY

KNOXVILLE, TENN. - Denark Construction announced five new hires in its project management ranks. After being named among the 25 fastest growing firms in the region for the fourth time, the company stressed the importance of a highly trained, customer-oriented team. With significant growth planned again for 2001, added project staff will ensure client satisfaction by maintaining quality standards and responsiveness.

Mr. Nathan Mathis, PE was named Project Manager III and assigned, initially, to Denark's work at the Knoxville Convention Center. Mathis holds a Bachelor of Science in civil engineering from LaSalle University, and brings over thirty years of construction related experience to Denark, including work at Blaine Construction and Lockwood Greene.

Mr. Robert Keen, Project Manager, joined Denark following his tenure in project management with Blaine Construction and the Bechtel Corporation. Keen holds a Bachelor of Science in civil engineering from University of Tennessee-Knoxville

Mr. Robert Harkrider, Residential Project Manager, holds a Bachelor of Arts in economics from University of Texas-Austin. Harkrider has completed over 100 custom and spec homes during his career in Texas and Tennessee.

Mr. Nathan Harrison, Assistant Project Manager, holds a Bachelor of Science degree in construction management from Montana State University. He brings ten years of construction experience, most recently with Hensel Phelps Construction in San Jose, California.

Mr. Kevin Cranford, Assistant Project Manager, received a Bachelor of Science in chemistry from the University of North Carolina in 1992. He has worked in the construction industry since that time, coming to Denark from Beers Construction Company.

DENARK CONSTRUCTION, INC. is a full-service general contractor / design-builder / construction manager with nearly a half billion dollars in commercial, industrial and institutional construction contracted since its launch in 1985. At present, the firm enjoys over \$150 million work-in-progress including Knoxville's Convention Center and preconstruction phase work on the new plant and editorial headquarters for The Knoxville News-Sentinel.