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CBC event on re-organization provides insight into Malloy administration goals

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State officials Pasquale Salemi (deputy commissioner, Dept. of Construction Services), Allen Herring (chief engineer, Dept. of Construction Services), and Jessie Stratton (policy advisor, Dept. of Energy and Environmental Protection) joined moderator Richard Connell (The S/L/A/M Collaborative) at the Connecticut Building Congress (CBC) October program.

The officials gathered with building industry professionals to discuss the recent re-organization of departments and what it will mean for the design and construction process. Members of the panel highlighted the logistical benefits of re-organization. "Let's get it right in code reviews when it's on paper so there are fewer code reviews during construction," said Herring

Herring assured the industry professionals that the Malloy administration is committed to developing Connecticut and will proceed with many of the projects that were in progress before last year's gubernatorial election.

Stratton said that DEEP wants to tap into that Connecticut Yankee spirit of ingenuity and frugality to become the most efficient state in the nation. Gov. Malloy wants jobs, efficiency, and competitiveness and all departments are working towards that goal.

Robert Vitelli (left) of Blakeslee Prestress was honored at the dinner for his long-standing member commitment to CBC. The Congress is approaching its 60th year and is recognizing the members who have consistently contributed to making CBC what it is today. Vitelli has been a member for over 20 years.

CBC is Connecticut's leading construction industry networking organization. Since 1952, its members have included prominent owners, engineers, architects, attorneys, general contractors, developers, cost consultants, subcontractors, suppliers, and testing laboratories.

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