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## **Landry/French Const. wins 1st place in 2015 Build Maine Awards Competition**

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Landry/French Construction Company has won a first place award in the 2015 Build Maine Awards Competition for its construction of the new State of Maine Office Building in South Portland. Sponsored by the Associated General Contractors (AGC) of Maine, the award was presented at the AGC's annual event at the Augusta Civic Center on April 15. The building was designed by Mark Mueller Architects. Landry/French received the top award in the Building Category for this new 88,000 s/f, two-story office building. The new building represents a significant contribution to the Greater Portland community in the way social services are delivered to citizens. The building consolidates under one roof the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Labor, the Department of Veterans' Services and the Career Service Center. The consolidation will save the state more than \$23 million.

"We are extremely proud to have received this award," said vice president Kevin French. "This was truly a team effort that could not have been completed without the skills and steadfast dedication of everybody who participated on the project."

Despite unexpected permitting which delayed the project by 2-1/2 months, the fast-track project was completed in record time-286 days and 2-1/2 weeks before the required completion date. The project included a number of innovations in construction techniques including the off-site fabrication of the shell of the building.

This "panelized construction" technique enabled construction of the framing, waterproofing, sheathing and window installation all at one time. The building also has one of the largest installations of porous pavement and underground storm water retention in southern Maine and required 45,000 cubic yards of multiple materials to complete.

Chartered in 1951, the Associated General Contractors (AGC) of Maine is the state's largest construction industry trade association. The Association maintains an office in Augusta and has more than 200 members statewide. Member companies include general contractors, sub-contractors, and service and supply providers.

Landry/French is one of Maine's leading construction companies providing construction management, design/build, and general contracting services. Their experience includes a diverse range of projects including healthcare, commercial, corporate, financial, housing, and education.

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