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**TEXAS STERLING CONSTRUCTION CO. PROMOTES TERRY D. WILLIAMSON
TO PRESIDENT & CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

HOUSTON, TX – May 13, 2010 – Sterling Construction Company, Inc. (NasdaqGS: STRL), ("Sterling" or the "Company") today announced that Terry D. Williamson was promoted to President and Chief Executive Officer of its subsidiary, Texas Sterling Construction Co. ("TSC"). Mr. Williamson has been with TSC for 20 years, most recently as Executive Vice President of Estimating and succeeds Patrick T. Manning, who continues as Chairman and CEO of Sterling Construction Company, Inc.

Commenting, Mr. Manning stated, "Terry has been a very valuable member of the TSC team for two decades. He has earned the respect of our entire Texas staff and our crews and deserves this promotion. We are confident that he will continue to lead our Texas operations in performing quality construction for our customers and in growth and profitability."

Sterling is a leading heavy civil construction company that specializes in the building and reconstruction of transportation and water infrastructure in large and growing markets in Texas, Utah, Nevada and other states where there are construction opportunities. Its transportation infrastructure projects include highways, roads, bridges and light rail and its water infrastructure projects include water, wastewater and storm drainage system.

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