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**STERLING CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULES SECOND QUARTER RELEASE
AND CONFERENCE CALL FOR MONDAY, AUGUST 9TH**

HOUSTON, TX – July 26, 2010 – Sterling Construction Company, Inc. (NasdaqGS: STRL), ("Sterling" or the "Company") today announced that it will issue its financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2010 on Monday, August 9, 2010. The results will be issued before the market opens.

Sterling's management will host a conference call on Monday, August 9, 2010 at 11 am ET/10 am CT to discuss the results and recent corporate developments. Participating in the call will be Patrick T. Manning, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Joseph P. Harper, Sr., President and Chief Operating Officer, and James H. Allen, Jr., Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. Interested parties may participate in the call by dialing 706-679-0858. Please call in 10 minutes before the conference is scheduled to begin and ask for the Sterling Construction call.

To listen to a webcast of the call, please go to the Company's website at www.sterlingconstructionco.com at least 15 minutes early to download and install any necessary audio software. If you are unable to listen live, the conference call webcast will be archived on the Company's website for thirty days. We suggest listeners use Microsoft Explorer as their web browser.

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 and Nevada. Its transportation infrastructure projects include highways, roads, bridges and light rail, and its water infrastructure projects include water, wastewater and storm drainage systems.

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