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LOCAL ENGINEERING FIRM SUPPORTS TROOPS

Marketing Director Called to Army Engineer Officer Basic Training Course

SOMERS, New York—November 16, 2004—J. Robert Folchetti & Associates, L.L.C., a full-service, civil/environmental consulting engineering firm based in Somers, NY, recently gave its head of marketing, Jeffrey Jones, his second send-off to the Army in two years. A member of the Army Reserves, Jones was ordered on October 1 to a seventeen-week Army Engineer Officer basic training course at Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri, where he will become a qualified engineer officer.

After completing his training, Jones will return to J. Robert Folchetti & Associates and also to his Army Reserve unit in Bullville, New York. As the Executive Officer of Company A, 854th Engineer Battalion, he will serve as second in command. Jones, who joined J. Robert Folchetti & Associates in 2001, previously was deployed from March 2003 to February 2004. As part of Operation Enduring Freedom, he provided mobilization support in the United States to the First Cavalry Division. While activated, served as the 854th's NBC (nuclear/biological/chemical) defense NCO (non-commissioned officer), where job was to prepare all the soldiers in the company to perform their missions in that harsh environment. He completed his enlisted service in June 2004 as a staff sergeant, and was then commissioned as a second lieutenant.

Jones says, "As far as my commitment to the military is concerned, I could not have asked for a better employer than J. Robert Folchetti & Associates. They helped me tremendously throughout my deployment, with John [John Folchetti, CEO] even storing half my belongings while I was gone."

A retired Marine Lieutenant Colonel with 21 years of service, John Folchetti is well acquainted with the demands of duty. In the spring of 2005, he plans to welcome back from Reserve duty not only Jones but Todd Atkinson, a captain in the Army Engineer Corps who was deployed in January of this year. Currently commanding an Army engineer company, Atkinson serves as a project engineer at J.Robert Folchetti & Associates.

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“We do our best to support our employees who are in the service,” says Folchetti. He notes that military experience, which typically involves “simultaneously paying attention to many different aspects of a situation, from many different perspectives,” can be helpful in providing engineering services. Jones began his military career at the age of 17 in 1991, by joining the National Guard in his hometown of Pascagoula, Mississippi. In his case, says Folchetti, “Jeff’s military engineering experience complemented both his undergraduate and graduate studies and enabled him to qualify to apply for his license as a professional engineer within about a year of arriving here.” Jones currently is awaiting designation as a professional engineer based on reciprocity with the State of Mississippi, where he became a registered professional engineer in January 2003. Jones earned both a bachelor’s and master’s degree in agricultural and biological engineering from Mississippi State University.

In addition to John Folchetti, J.Robert Folchetti & Associates includes two other military veterans. President J. Robert Folchetti, who founded the firm in Brewster, NY, in 1984, served as a United States Marine in the Korean War. Douglas J. Marr, JRFA’s Operations Manager, served as a motor transport Officer in the United States Army Reserve.

J. Robert Folchetti & Associates serves municipal and private sector clients throughout the Hudson Valley region from their offices in Somers and Walden, NY. The firm offers an extensive range of professional engineering, planning, and surveying services. They include storm water systems and watershed analysis; municipal engineering; wastewater treatment operations; land planning, mapping and GIS services; wastewater treatment facilities; potable water systems; wastewater collection and transmission facilities; construction inspection/management; surveying, agricultural engineering and consulting.

The firm is located in Somers at 247 Route 100, tel. 914-232-2500. Other locations are in Walden, NY, and on the Web at www.jrfa.com.

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