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Thea Postolache and Kenneth Smith, Engineers at Mueller Associates, Earn Professional Licenses

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Mueller Associates has announced that Thea Postolache, PE, mechanical engineer, and Kenneth Smith, PE, electrical engineer, earned their professional engineering licenses.

Postolache joined Mueller in 2018 after graduating from the University of Maryland, College Park, with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering. She has helped engineer building systems for several of Mueller's notable higher education and cultural projects, such as the Radford University Artis Center for Adaptive Innovation and Creativity in Radford, Va., and the renovation of the Smithsonian Institution National Air and Space Museum in Washington, DC. Currently, she is leading the mechanical design of the renovation of Mitchell Hall at Virginia Tech University in Blacksburg, Va.

"After working with Thea for the past five years and witnessing her continually excel, it is no surprise that she has achieved her professional engineer certification. Her attentive and rigorous approach to engineering design has paved the way to success for several large projects, including large-scale university buildings and campus facilities. We congratulate her on her recent success and look forward to further accomplishments!" says Matt Velky, PE, a project manager with Mueller.

Smith is a 2017 Virginia Tech University graduate who received his bachelor's degree in electrical engineering and joined the Mueller team soon after. His experience includes designing electrical systems for notable cultural and higher education projects, including the Smithsonian Institution's National Air and Space Museum in Washington, DC, Loyola University Maryland's Miguel B. Fernandez Family Center for Innovation and Collaborative Learning in Baltimore, Md., the Muskegon Museum of Art in Muskegon, Mi., and the new Mitchell Hall at Virginia Tech University in Blacksburg, Va.

"Since joining Mueller, Kenny has proven to be an accomplished and talented engineer," says Rebecca Fischer, PE, LEED AP BD+C, a project manager and associate with Mueller. "His attention to detail and collaborative approach to projects contributes to his success in designing electrical systems for high-profile clients. We have been impressed with Kenny's diligence and willingness to mentor young engineers and are excited about his future success!"

About Mueller Associates

Established in 1966, Mueller Associates delivers mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and fire protection engineering services for cultural facilities, museums, higher education institutions, libraries, performing and fine arts centers, historic preservation, government facilities, and other institutional and corporate facilities. Mueller specializes in complex and stringent environmental control and energy conservation engineering solutions. The firm is a leader and innovator in sustainability and resilience.

Current and recent projects include the renovation of the historic Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden; the new Capital One Hall in Tysons, Virginia; George Mason University's new Fuse at Mason

Square in Arlington, Va.; the Fernandez Family Center for Innovation and Collaborative Learning at Loyola University in Baltimore; the renovation of Carrington Hall at the University of North Carolina's Nursing School in Chapel Hill, N.C, and numerous projects for Northrop Grumman Corporation throughout the Baltimore-Washington University. For more information, visit www.muellerassoc.com.