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## **Keres and EMG Secure Nationwide Federal Contract to Support Energy Conservation and Sustainability Initiatives**

*Strategic partnership nabs first federal award valued at approximately \$1 million*

**ALBUQUERQUE, NM** – June 29, 2010 – Four months after announcing a strategic alliance with EMG, Keres Consulting, Inc. has landed a nationwide contract valued at approximately \$1 million with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to provide a range of energy engineering services. Keres will lead the contract effort supported primarily by EMG. Keres is a Native American-owned engineering and environmental services firm; EMG is a national engineering energy management and environmental consulting firm.

Keres/EMG's first task order, with an estimated value of \$583,000, will assist FEMA with the development, reporting and implementation of an energy and sustainability plan. The energy conservation plan will support government initiatives to increase energy efficiency, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, conserve and protect water resources, recycle and prevent pollution, promote the use of sustainable technologies, and maintain and operate sustainable buildings.

Additionally, the Keres/EMG strategic energy plan will move FEMA into compliance with Executive Order 13423 – Strengthening Federal Environmental, Energy and Transportation Management, the Energy Independence and Security Act, as well as Executive Order 13514 – Federal Leadership in Environmental, Energy, and Economic Performance through Integrated Sustainability Plan.

“As an Energy Star-certified company with a leading asset management software, EMG brings great value to Keres’ engineering and environmental practice,” said President and CEO of Keres, Timothy Chavez. “This FEMA award lends our team the opportunity to change the status quo and help the government adopt and maintain energy efficient practices.”

“This initial task order is a great opportunity for the KERES/EMG team as it highlights the talents of both firms, providing strategic real estate consulting engineering for a federal government agency with a nationwide footprint,” noted Matt Munter Senior VP at EMG. “Beyond this task,

the contract is a Blanket Purchase Agreement with up to a five-year term, which will allow KERES/EMG to develop a long term role in FEMA's facilities energy reduction program."

While the FEMA project marks the first federal award between Keres and EMG, the strategic alliance has fostered several business opportunities for the companies in 2010. Keres and EMG are currently completing facility condition assessment assignments for the Oklahoma City Area Indian Health Service and Sandoval County in New Mexico. Earlier this year, the companies jointly completed a facility audit for the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque, an environmental assessment for the Turtle Mountain Housing Authority in Belcourt, North Dakota, and an Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) site investigation at the Ohkay Owingeh Community School in New Mexico.

**About EMG**

EMG is a national architectural, engineering, and environmental consulting firm. The company has more than 20 years of experience in Physical Needs Assessments and Maintenance Management. EMG's recommendations are based on knowledge of property conditions, market conditions, regulations, and each client's objectives. More information about EMG is available at [www.emgcorp.com](http://www.emgcorp.com).

**About Keres Consulting, Inc.**

Keres Consulting, Inc. is a general management consulting firm with specialized expertise in asset management, energy and the environment, and communication and technology. Established in 2001, the company is a Native American-owned, 8(a) Small Disadvantaged Business. More information about Keres Consulting is available at [www.keresnm.com](http://www.keresnm.com).

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