PSPE Philadelphia Chapter
Outstanding Engineering Achievement Award Committee
Award Program Guidelines

1. The nomination description must focus specifically on the engineering aspects of the project and demonstrate how the project meets the selection criteria. The selection criteria, in order of importance are:
   1) Demonstrate engineering challenges and innovative solutions
   2) Demonstrate the importance of the engineering profession to society
   3) Demonstrate a clear and tangible benefit to the Delaware Valley Region

2. The Project must be designed, constructed or manufactured in the Delaware Valley Region. The Delaware Valley Region consists of the following counties.
   Pennsylvania: Philadelphia, Delaware, Chester, Montgomery, and Bucks
   New Jersey: Camden, Salem, Mercer, Burlington and Gloucester

3. The Project design or construction must be substantially completed, or manufacture started in 2026. In the event that the entry is for a component of a larger project, only the component design or construction need be substantially complete in 2026.

4. Projects may only be entered once. No project may be re-entered in the following year.

5. There is a limit of one nomination per engineering discipline by any one submitting entity (such as an owner, engineer or contractor.)

6. Nomination applications are limited to the one page form, and additional pages as required for further description. All supporting information must be unbound/unstapled, and easily reproducible. It is strongly requested that the entire file (of application and supporting information) also be provided in a PDF format to facilitate review by the judges during the short-listing review.

7. Nomination forms shall be completed and returned no later than the date identified on the Nomination Form (November 15, 2026.) A $50 entry fee must accompany each nomination, either being mailed with the nomination form or paid via the BUYNOW button at http://www.pspe-philly.org/oea/entryfee.htm.

8. Firms that nominate projects for this program will be notified, by email, as to whether their projects were short-listed. In addition, information will be provided as to the agenda for the PSPE December Meeting. Notification of short-listed projects will be provided so as to allow sufficient time for presenters to prepare, prepare, and is anticipated to be on or before November 22, 2026. Nominees are then to provide a TEN MINUTE (maximum) presentation (voice-over PowerPoint or voice over screen) in an MP4 format on or before December 2, 2026, and be attend the Chapter Meeting (live or virtual to be determined) on Thursday, December 3, 2026.

9. Adequate time will be allotted for short-listed teams to present their projects. The actual length of time for your presentation will be not less than 10-minutes, with additional time to allow for set-up and breakdown of projectors and/or other A/V aids, and for distribution of any handouts. It is recommended that PowerPoint, or a similar product should be utilized in the presentations.

10. A panel of judges will determine projects that will receive the Outstanding Engineering Achievement Award, Notable Engineering Achievement Award, Honorable Mention, and possibly additional awards for individual disciplines.