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THE LEWIS & CLARK CONFLUENCE TOWER

The Lewis & Clark Confluence Tower project is located on 4.5 acres on the Great River Road, north of the Lewis & Clark Visitor Center in the Lewis & Clark Commerce Center at Piasa Lane and Route 3 in Hartford, Illinois.

The tower is being constructed to commemorate Lewis & Clark Expedition's 200th anniversary and Site #1, the point of departure, for the Lewis & Clark Expedition.

The twin concrete towers will be 180' in height with three observation platforms at 50', 100' and 150' overlooking the confluence of the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers.

The tower will consist of two shafts, one for the elevator and one for the stairway. The two shafts will be connected by 3 concrete lookout platforms that will join the towers into a single structural entity.

The two shafts symbolize Meriwether Lewis and William Clark.

The structural lookout platforms represent the various stages of the Lewis & Clark expedition.

The reinforced concrete platforms that structurally connect the two shafts will symbolize the strong bond and interdependence between the two explorers.

Aluminum windows will extend vertically along each shaft.

The elevator will accommodate 20 passengers.

Citizens for Lewis & Clark Development Site #1 developed the concept for the Lewis & Clark Confluence Tower as a complementary site to the Lewis & Clark Visitor Center

The Illinois Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Commission selected the tower as a legacy project for the State of Illinois.

Lewis & Clark Confluence Tower Fact Sheet

Add One

Kennedy Associates Incorporated, of St. Louis, Missouri, was selected as the Construction Manager & Architect for the Project Team.

The Design and Construction team includes:

SSE, Inc, Structural Engineering

Blotevogel Associates, Inc., Civil Engineer

SCI Engineering, Inc., Geotechnical Engineer

RCS Construction, Inc., Foundation & Grading Contractor

CTI, Precast Concrete Tower Contractor

Otis Elevator Company, Elevator Contractor

The facility has been designed for phased construction to dovetail with fundraising activities of the Village of Hartford.

The Village of Hartford has raised nearly \$3 million of the \$5.4 million needed to complete this project.

Illinois State Representative, Steve Davis, secured the first \$2.28 million of public money for the project.

The first private contribution was a \$100,000 check by the ConocoPhillips Wood River Refinery on Monday, March 8, 2004.

This was the single largest contribution by ConocoPhillips in southern Illinois.

There will be parking for 100 automobiles and two buses or RV's.

Lawn and wetlands plantings are proposed for the south half of the site.

The north half of the site will be maintained as lawn to support future picnic pavilions.

A 350-seat amphitheater will be constructed contiguous to the earthen levee.

The tower complex will be connected to the parking lot with a sidewalk flanked by sloped walls, which will include a water curtain.

Phase 1 is expected to be complete by November 2004.