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EMC Insurance Companies Selects Neumann Brothers as Construction Contractor

DES MOINES, Iowa (Nov. 12, 2014) — EMC Insurance Companies (EMC) selected Neumann Brothers to provide preconstruction and construction services for the new EMC office building at the corner of Eighth and Walnut Streets in downtown Des Moines.

“We have a long-standing partnership with Neumann Brothers and are pleased to be working with them again,” says Robert L. Link, CAM, CM, senior vice president/administration and corporate secretary for EMC. “Neumann was the contractor for our signature high-rise building at 700 Walnut in the late ’90s, our parking facility at Seventh and Mulberry in 2004, and most recently, they provided immediate and essential services after the fire in the Younker’s building in March that damaged our facilities. They have proven over the years they have talent and skills to do this job, and earned this contract from EMC.”

“After more than 30 years of working with EMC in developing the EMC campus in downtown Des Moines, I am very proud that Neumann Brothers will be involved in this new project,” says Marshall G. Linn III, president and chief executive officer of Neumann Brothers. “We will not only oversee the construction of the building, but will be part of the team, along with Brooks Borg Skiles, during the development of the design.”

Brooks Borg Skiles Architecture Engineering in Des Moines was selected to design the new facility. Plans as of today include a four-story office building with space for meeting rooms and essential computer, mechanical and printing equipment, a wellness center and tenant space on the first floor facing Walnut Street.

“Our new building will be created by three local companies,” emphasizes Link. “Keeping the construction dollars in the community, giving Iowans jobs and supporting the local economy is important to EMC. We are over 100 years old, as is Neumann and Brooks Borg Skiles, and we’re committed to Des Moines and its development.”

About EMC Insurance Companies

EMC Insurance Companies is among the top 50 insurance organizations in the country based on net written premium, with assets over \$3 billion and more than 2,100 employees. The company was organized in 1911 to write workers' compensation protection in Iowa. Today, EMC provides property and casualty insurance products and services throughout the United States and writes reinsurance contracts worldwide. Operating under the trade name EMC Insurance Companies, Employers Mutual Casualty Company and one or more of its affiliated companies is licensed in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. For more information, visit www.emcins.com and www.CountonEMC.com.

About Neumann Brothers

Neumann Brothers, Inc. is a general contractor located in Des Moines and Cedar Rapids, Iowa, specializing in pre-construction and construction services including new construction, construction management, historical restoration and renovation, tenant improvements, design-build construction and industrial and millwright services. For more information, visit www.neumannbros.com and www.neumannbros.com/news/index.aspx.

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