



2009 Vision Awards

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SILVER AWARD Apex Cost Consultants	SILVER AWARD Messer Construction Co.	SILVER AWARD T. J. Lambrecht Construction
BRONZE AWARD Homecad	BRONZE AWARD DPR Construction, Inc.	BRONZE AWARD McGuire and Hester
BUILDER/GC COMMERCIAL—\$26 MILLION - \$100 MILLION	BUILDER/GC RESIDENTIAL—\$6 MILLION - \$25 MILLION	SPECIALTY CONTRACTOR: ELEVATOR INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE
SILVER AWARD J. M. Coull, Inc.	SILVER AWARD Provident Homes	BRONZE AWARD Stanley Elevator
SILVER AWARD IMTC-MEI Click to read the write-up	BUILDER/GC RESIDENTIAL—\$26 MILLION - \$100 MILLION	SPECIALTY CONTRACTOR: LIGHT GAUGE STEEL FRAMING
BRONZE AWARD AGI	SILVER AWARD Fairmont Pacific Rim/299 Burrard Development Click to read the write-up	SILVER AWARD FrameMax
BUILDER/GC COMMERCIAL—\$101 MILLION - \$250 MILLION	BUILDER/GC RESIDENTIAL—\$101 MILLION - \$250 MILLION	SPECIALTY CONTRACTOR: ELECTRICAL WORK
SILVER AWARD Forrester Construction	SILVER AWARD Heartland Homes, Inc.	GOLD AWARD INTREN, Inc.
BRONZE AWARD M. J. Harris, Inc.	BUILDER/GC RESIDENTIAL—\$251 MILLION - \$500 MILLION	SPECIALTY CONTRACTOR: PLASTERING, DRYWALL
BUILDER/GC COMMERCIAL—\$251 MILLION - \$500 MILLION	SILVER AWARD Clark Builders Group Click to read the write-up	BRONZE AWARD PC Haines, Inc.
SILVER AWARD S. M. Wilson & Co.	CORPORATE OWNER—HEALTHCARE	AUTOMATED HOME TECHNOLOGY
BRONZE AWARD Kajima Building & Design Group	GOLD AWARD St. Joseph Health System	GOLD AWARD Donatelli Builders, Inc.
BUILDER/GC COMMERCIAL—MORE THAN \$500 MILLION	SILVER AWARD BJC Healthcare	TEAM AWARD
GOLD AWARD McCarthy Building Companies, Inc. Click to read the write-up	CORPORATE OWNER—RETAIL/CHAIN	WINNER Tocci Building Corp. Click to read the write-up
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Winners of the 2009 Constructech Vision Awards represent multiple segments of construction. Below you will find detailed write-ups for a few select winning companies.

Builder/GC Commercial—\$26 million - \$100 million

Silver Award: IMTC-MEI

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Houston, Texas

When a disaster occurs at a refinery or industrial processing facility, one of the companies that can get the call to do the rebuilding is IMTC-MEI, www.imtc-mei.com, Houston, Texas. IMTC-MEI is recognized by the petrochemical industry and the insurance industry as a leader in catastrophic rebuilds and capital construction program management. IMTC-MEI rebuilds the damaged parts of the facility to avoid or eliminate the possibility of future negative effects caused by natural catastrophes.

Although the company is considered one of the best in the business at doing fire rebuilds, it encountered a problem recently when dealing with backoffice and project management processes. IMTC-MEI had disparate systems for cost control, procurement, document management, and many other functions, each one disconnected from the others and that created inefficiencies. More important, this created problems in delivering timely and accurate status reports to clients. It was hard to provide dashboard reports on budget costs and completion percentages. As IMTC-MEI's project workload increased, the need to standardize on one system became obvious.

After extensive research of more than a dozen systems—it even considered building its own—the company selected Prolog, a project management system from Meridian Systems, www.meridiansystems.com, Folsom, Calif., through Project 3 Technologies, www.project3tech.com, Dallas, Texas. Knowing its forte was in fire rebuilding and not software implementation, IMTC-MEI left this project to the experts at Project 3 Technologies.

IMTC-MEI also recognized the need for a third party Web hosting service so its projects, located anywhere in the world, could be accessed easily. For this they turned to ProjectXnet by The Cram Group, www.thecramgroup.com, New York, N.Y. The Web-based ProjectXnet Portal provides a hub for users to access all the applications they work with via any Internet connection. The portal is integrated with Web technologies to create a state-of-the-art user administration console.

The phase one implementation was completed in November 2008 and the first project using the new system was a fire rebuild project that required close cost and version control. A fire rebuild requires the ability to track the items to the lowest, most detailed level and have the capability to segregate out specific types of expenditures.

All levels of detail must be rolled up to a 10,000 foot view of the project with drill-down functions that were available in Meridian's Prolog. By using ProjectXnet, employees can access their projects from anywhere in the world. Systems must be available 24/7; there is no allowance for system failure in fire rebuilding.

Currently, IMTC-MEI is working on a catastrophic reconstruction project with a value of \$35-50 million and plans to roll out even more functionality of its system as needed. So far, the world-wide resources of IMTC-MEI are accessing the data they need, the centralized administration and standardized reporting they need, and the security they must have in this industry.

This builds off of the aforementioned custom work that The Cram Group has been doing for Prolog customers around the use of OBAs. As an authorized business systems integrator of Meridian, The Cram Group, which typically provides hosting services for construction technology, is focusing efforts on delivering a set of products that extend the core value of Prolog—linking data in a shared environment.