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**ENR SOUTHEAST ANNOUNCES BERGERON LAND DEVELOPMENT
WINNER OF BEST WATER/ENVIRONMENT PROJECT OF 2016**

Fort Lauderdale, Fla. – Bergeron Land Development has announced its Miami Beach Pump Stations and West Avenue Neighborhood Improvements won the 2016 Best Water/Environment Project by *ENR Southeast*. Bergeron partnered with the City of Miami Beach for the \$34.6 million design-build project commissioned to fight flooding brought on by heavy rains, King tide and raising sea levels.

The scope of the project included elevating roadways and sidewalks as much as three feet, raising sea walls and installing four pump stations capable of pumping more than 80 million gallons of water per day. In an area that is three feet below sea level in places, standing water from heavy rains would take days to clear, but now, the roadways are clear in 15 minutes. The project was completed with a cost-saving LED street lighting system, bike lanes, two new parks and landscaping for a greater tree canopy.

The project has garnered multiple distinctions for the 52-year old land development business including Project of the Year (Category III) by the Cuban-American Association of Civil Engineers and semi-finalist in the I Build America Construction Impact Awards.

ENR Southeast's annual competition to recognize the "best" construction and design efforts in the region results in award winners in 15 categories such as Residential/Hospitality, K-12 Education, Highway/Bridge and others. This year, two separate, independent judging panels made up of industry representatives collectively reviewed and discussed 90 projects located throughout the Southeast region of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Puerto Rico. Projects were evaluated on the project team's ability to overcome challenges, as well as each project's construction and design quality, safety record; and contribution to the industry and community.

"Bergeron's partnership with the City of Miami Beach was founded on a shared belief in the critical need for this project," said President J.R. Bergeron. "And, that shared commitment turned to passion. Due to the nature of project, it received a lot of media and public scrutiny which put a spotlight on our work ethic and integrity. It's been a win-win for everyone involved especially the businesses and residents of Miami Beach."

About Bergeron Land Development:

Few companies or individuals have influenced the landscape of Florida more than Bergeron Land Development and its founder, "Alligator" Ron Bergeron and his eldest son J.R. Bergeron who is President of the company. Since 1965, Bergeron Land Development has expanded communities, increased commerce and made commutes a lot more convenient. Regardless of the project, Bergeron Land Development measures its success, not only by its profits, but by its commitment to the Florida community and its sensitive ecosystem as well. For more information, please visit www.BergeronLandDev.com.

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