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## **STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING CERTIFICATION BOARD UPDATE**

Chicago, IL, February 24, 2005 — Since its inception late last year, the SECB has received hundreds of applications for certification in the practice of Structural Engineering. Although the interest in certification has been steady, many applicants could miss the first important deadline. Applications received after July 1, 2005 for certification by “grandfathering” will be subject to an additional \$100 fee per year for every year, or partial year, after January 1, 2005. Application forms are available online at [www.secertboard.org](http://www.secertboard.org).

The SECB web site also contains information about the SECB, the certification process, and status of applications. Stakeholders, as well as applicants, will be able to verify structural engineers who have been certified. As the web site matures, it will become the primary source for all inquiries regarding the status of structural engineers and the certification process.

Starting July 15, 2005, the SECB will begin issuing certificates to those who have recently applied and have been certified in the practice of structural engineering.

The SECB is an independent accreditation organization headquartered in Chicago, Illinois and representing the regulated professional practice interests of over 30,000 structural engineers nationwide.

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