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New National and State* Construction Hiring and Business Forecasts to Be Released During Media Call on Wednesday, January 6 at 1:00 p.m. EST

Forecasts to Include Predictions for Construction Industry Hiring, Layoffs, Workforce Shortages and Business Activity for 2016

On Wednesday, January 6 at 1:00 p.m. EST, the Associated General Contractors of America and Sage will release their national and state* construction hiring and business forecasts for 2016 during a media conference call at (800) 874-4559 (verbal pass code TURM24453). The forecasts, which are based on a comprehensive survey of construction firms nationwide, will include predictions of the scope of construction hiring, layoffs and possible worker shortages during the year.

During the call, association's chief executive officer Stephen Sandherr and chief economist Kenneth Simonson will release the forecasts and explain their significance for broader economic and employment growth for this year. Construction contractors also will be on the call to answer questions about their companies' hiring, purchasing and business prospects for 2016.

WHO:	Stephen Sandherr, Chief Executive Officer, Associated General
	Contractors of America, Arlington, Va.
	Kenneth Simonson, Chief Economist, Associated General Contractors of
	America, Arlington, Va.
	Jon Witty, Vice President and General Manager, Sage Construction and
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	Josh Clardy, President and CEO of JW Clardy Construction Company,
	Myrtle Beach, S.C.
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	Antonio, Texas
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WHAT:	Release of 2016 national and state* construction hiring & business forecasts
WHEN:	1:00 p.m. EST
	Wednesday, January 6, 2016
WHERE:	Toll-Free Call-in Number: 1 (800) 874-4559
	(Canadian Toll Free 1 (800) 696-0876)
	Verbal Pass code (to be given to the operator): TURM24453

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*State data available for Ala., Alaska, Ariz., Calif., Colo., Fla., Ga., Ill., Iowa, , Kan., La., Mass., Mich., Minn., Mo., Neb., Nev., N.C., N.J., N.Y., Ohio, Okla., Ore., Pa., Tenn., Texas, Utah, Va., Wash. and Wis.