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## Hawaii's Very Own Master of Special Inspection: Aubrey Renteria

**Honolulu, HI** – Baldrige & Associates Structural Engineering, Inc. (BASE) is proud to announce that Aubrey Renteria, our Testing & Inspection Manager, has been certified by the International Code Council (ICC) as Hawaii's first and only Master of Special Inspection (MSI). This designation is available to those who have passed the Structural Welding Special Inspector, Structural Steel and Bolting Special Inspector, Structural Masonry Special Inspector and Reinforced Concrete Special Inspector examinations. It underscores Aubrey's commitment to the International Code Council's (ICC) special inspection program and places him among the leaders in his field.



Aubrey Renteria has ten years of experience as a special inspector, 3 years of which he has spent as a valued employee of BASE. "Being a Master Special Inspector shows that you've taken the initiative to be the best in your field," he says. It also means that Aubrey can function as a one-stop inspector for all a client's needs because of his many certifications.



Last year, Honolulu's building codes were updated with the signing into law of Bill 26, C.D. 2, which adopted the 2003 editions of the International Building Code and International Residential Code with local amendments. As of now, the City & County of Honolulu does not require that special inspectors be certified as Masters of Special Inspection, but Aubrey believes it will be a requirement someday.

BASE, in accord with building departments and government agencies, recognizes the need for independent observation during construction to improve the quality of the constructed environment and enhance public safety. As a result, BASE has expanded its services through BASE Testing & Inspection to ensure that the required inspection quality is being maintained. As a leader in engineering and inspection, BASE understands the unique requirements of Hawaii's building industry, such as the importance of employing quality, certified inspectors. Our Testing & Inspection department is also certified by the Army Corps of Engineers, CCRL inspected and AASHTO accredited.

The International Code Council is a membership organization dedicated to building safety and fire prevention. It develops the codes used to construct residential and commercial buildings, including homes and schools. Most U.S. cities, counties and states, including Hawaii, use the International Codes – building safety codes developed by the International Code Council.

For more information on the International Code Council and the Master of Special Inspection designation, please visit <http://www.iccsafe.org/certification/inspector/master-SI.html>.

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*Established in 1995, Baldrige & Associates Structural Engineering, Inc. is a full-service structural engineering and forensic consulting firm that evaluates each project from the client's point of view. Emphasis is placed on schedule, economy and detail as reflected by the unique needs of the client and their project. This commitment has led the successful completion of projects of in Hawaii, Guam, India, Korea and on the mainland.*