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NEWS RELEASE

Murphy Company Wins DBIA-MAR Design-Build Award for Brauer Hall

Mechanical contractor, Washington University and Clayco take home award for Best Project

ST. LOUIS – Murphy Company, Washington University and Clayco took home a win at the annual Design-Build Institute of America / Mid-America Region Design-Build Awards, winning Best Project in the Institutional over \$10 Million category for their work on Washington University's Stephen F. & Camilla T. Brauer Hall (exterior photo of Brauer Hall to the right).



Murphy served as mechanical contractor on the 150,875-square-foot, three-story building, while Clayco was general contractor and Washington University was the owner. In addition to 23 custom-made lab suites,

the energy, environmental engineering and biomedical engineering building consists of a data center, chiller plant,

conference rooms, classrooms, 60 offices and a 90-seat distance-learning classroom, allowing the Energy, Environmental & Chemical Engineering department to communicate with its research partners throughout the world. The building also has achieved LEED Gold certification by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC). Brauer Hall was designed and built in 18 months, ready in time for the fall 2010 semester.



The DBIA-MAR Design-Build Award plaque.

DBIA-MAR evaluated submitted projects primarily on success achieved in attaining the owner/user's project goals. Submissions also were judged for their success in implementing design-build best practices. Special emphasis was placed on the design team's use of innovation to add value. Innovation included the use of new systems, methods, and processes that benefit cost, efficiency/speed, safety, quality, and use of technology in executing the project. The design quality of the project was also important with aesthetics, functionality and life cycle being key considerations.

A jury of impartial experts drawn from the DBIA chapter membership, project owners, and the industry in general judged the submissions.

This represents the third award Murphy has received for its work on Brauer Hall. Murphy was named the winner in the New Construction Up to 500,000 Square Feet in Contracting Business' 2010 Design/Build Awards (click [here](#) for the article). Murphy also received a Best Practices award from the St. Louis Council of Construction Consumers.

Murphy Company delivers mechanical solutions to the industrial, commercial, institutional and heavy industrial markets. With corporate offices in St. Louis and Denver, Colo., and regional offices in Fairview Heights, Ill., and Colorado Springs, Colo., the firm offers process piping, HVAC, refrigeration, plumbing, design-build, piping fabrication, energy solutions and 24-hour service. Murphy currently is ranked No. 13 on Engineering News-Record's list of top mechanical contractors in the United States. Founded in 1907, the firm employs more than 1,000 people nationwide. For more information, visit www.murphynet.com.

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