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Charles Street/MGH Station Wins Boston Preservation Alliance Award

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— GEI Consultants, Inc., one of the nation's leading geotechnical, environmental, water resources, and ecological science and engineering firms, announced today that the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) Charles Street/MGH Station Redline Accessibility/Modernization Project

won a Preservation Achievement Award from the Boston Preservation Alliance in the "Significant New Construction" category.



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The Boston Preservation Alliance's Achievement Awards are bestowed annually to honor outstanding achievements in historic preservation and compatible new construction in Boston. Recipients are selected from nominations that are solicited at the end of each calendar year.

GEI Consultants served as the geotechnical and environmental engineer on this project. Geotechnical work involved data collection; subsurface exploration and laboratory testing programs; foundation design; and geotechnical construction reports and specifications. GEI's environmental work entailed a detailed site assessment to determine potential existing contamination; a soil and groundwater sampling program in conjunction with the geotechnical exploration program; and preparation of the construction specifications for the management of excavated materials and dewatering effluent. During the construction phase, GEI reviewed the contractor's submittals regarding all geotechnical and contamination-related construction items.

"The MBTA is a prominent and integral mode of transportation in Boston," said Ileen S. Gladstone, P.E., LSP, LEED AP, vice president of GEI Consultants. "The Charles Street/MGH Project is now positioned to better handle rider traffic in a highly efficient and aesthetically magnificent space. GEI is proud to be a member of the project team."

The project team consisted of Elkus Manfredi Architects, architect; HDR Engineering, Inc., civil/traffic engineer; Lim Associates, structural engineer; RDK Engineers, mechanical, electrical and plumbing engineer; Epsilon Associates, Inc., historical resource; and Brown, Richardson & Rowe, Inc., landscape consultant. The client and owner of this project is the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA).

About GEI Consultants, Inc.

GEI's multi-disciplined team of engineers and scientists deliver geotechnical, environmental, integrated water resources and ecological solutions to diverse clientele nationwide. The firm has provided a broad range of consulting and engineering services on over 25,000 projects in 50 states and 22 countries. For more information, please visit the firm's web site at www.geiconsultants.com.

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