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## Western Construction Group appoints Jim Rechtin, Sr. as new COO



**St. Louis, MO-** Jeff Kelley, President of the Western Construction Group, announced that Jim Rechtin, Sr. has been appointed the new Chief Operating Officer of the company. A native of St. Louis, Mr. Rechtin joined Western in 1971. Since then, he has served as Foreman, Superintendent, Branch and Regional Manager and most recently, Eastern Division Vice President- overseeing 18 Western branch offices.

The Western Construction Group, parent company of Western Waterproofing, is the nation's largest specialty contractor in the areas of masonry and concrete restoration and waterproofing, new construction waterproofing and specialty roofing. The company was founded in St. Louis in 1915. Today, it has over 30 branch offices nationwide and employs more than 1200 salaried and hourly employees.

Western projects involving well known St. Louis buildings include: the Railway Exchange Building, the Continental Building, the Old Post Dispatch Building, the Westin Hotel at Cupples Warehouse, Shrine of St. Josephs, A.G. Edwards Building, America's Center roofs and Westport Plaza decks

Nationally, the company has completed numerous restoration projects, including: 15 state capitol buildings, the US Capitol Building, the Field Museum in Chicago, the St. Francis Hotel in San Francisco, the Tweed Courthouse in New York City and the Los Angeles City Hall and Rose Bowl Stadium in Southern California, to name a few.

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