

# PMI seeks Project of the Year entries

The Columbia River Basin Chapter of the Project Management Institute invites regional organizations to prepare and submit nomination proposals for candidate projects to enter into the 2003 Project of the Year Award competition. In its ninth consecutive year, the award is intended to recognize, honor, and widely publicize project teams for superior performance and execution of exemplary project management for projects completed in 2002.

Projects of any size, industry type and location are encouraged and eligible for consideration. PMI affiliation is not necessary. The project must be essentially complete at the time of nomination and accepted as complete by the owner or client before the award is given. There can be no restrictions on the use of the submitted information after the final date of submission. Entries are due Feb. 1.

Nominated proposals should demonstrate how the project met or exceeded owner or client needs; met or improved on budget and schedule performance compared with original goals; applied innovative, original or unique project-management techniques; and managed complex or unusual conditions or issues.

The winner of the Columbia River Basin regional competition will advance to the semi-final competition, from which three candidates will compete for the Project Management Institute's Project of the Year Award.

The top selected projects will be honored and the regional winner will be announced at the chapter's annual Project of the Year Award Banquet on March 11 at the Richland Red Lion Hotel. Prior-year winners include the Interim Safe Storage of the Hanford C Reactor in 1999 and the 101-SY Level Rise Project in 2001. Both of these projects were selected as one of three international finalists by PMI. ■