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**Legacy Building Solutions Receives DBIA-Upper Midwest Region Merit Award**

South Haven, Minn. – When IEI Barge Services needed a building capable of storing and loading fertilizer, they turned to [Legacy Building Solutions](http://www.legacybuildingsolutions.com) to design and build a custom fabric structure. Today, that building was awarded the Merit Award by the Design-Build Association-Upper Midwest Region (DBIA-UMR).

The award-winning building, which measures 63,010 square feet, is located along the banks of the Mississippi River in East Dubuque, Ill. – where poor soil conditions made other building options prohibitively expensive.

Legacy Building Solutions partnered with IEI Barge Services, a division of Alliant Energy, to design the building around current and future operational needs. Custom features include multiple lean-tos for circulation, pre-cast concrete storage bays to contain product for separate customers, and an overhead conveyor for loading. The building receives fertilizer via barge, rail car and truck and has complete product turnover at least three times per year.

Like all Legacy buildings, the fabric structure was custom designed on a rigid steel frame. The frame was hot-dip galvanized to prevent the fertilizer from causing corrosion.

The Merit Award was given for following the principles of design-build construction and finding innovative solutions for project challenges. The [fertilizer storage building](http://www.legacybuildingsolutions.com/bulk-storage-fabric-structure-video) won the award in the category of Industrial and Office Buildings. A video tour of the building is available on Legacy’s website.

“Design-build is a natural fit for this type of project,” said Ben Fox, president and CEO of Legacy Building Solutions. “We work with the customer to fit the building to their needs, and then our team takes those plans and turns them into reality. The customer saves time and money in the end.”

Representatives from Legacy Building Solutions will receive the award at the 9th Annual DBIA-UMR awards ceremony, to be held March 15 in St. Paul, Minn. The building will also be featured in the National Design-Build Project Database.

**About Legacy Building Solutions**

Legacy Building Solutions designs, manufactures, engineers, and installs large-scale custom fabric structures on a rigid steel frame for a wide range of industries, including the aviation, recreational, military and agricultural sectors. The company was founded in 2010 after creating a now-patented fabric attachment system. Headquartered in South Haven, Minnesota, Legacy Building Solutions provides services worldwide. Committed to sustainability and best management practices, the firm has achieved ISO 9001:2008 and CSA A660-10 certifications. Learn more at [http://www.legacybuildingsolutions.com](http://www.legacybuildingsolutions.com/).