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**STI/SPFA Honors RTALC Piping Products, Inc.  
as Pipe Fabrication Company of the Year**

LAKE ZURICH, IL – March 2, 2009 - An Interconnect Manifold joining the Lake Fork and Iron Bridge Pump Stations, owned by Dallas Water Utilities, has been honored by STI/SPFA as the national Pipe Fabrication Project of the Year for 2008.

RTALC Piping Products, Inc. was responsible for the design, fabrication, coating, lining and delivery of the pipe. The overall design of the project was the responsibility of Carter and Burgess Engineers of Dallas, TX, and once complete was submitted to Dallas Water Utilities.

The custom manifold is 168 inches overall diameter, with two 168 inches in diameter X 144 inches in diameter crosses, two 168 inches in diameter X 144 inches in diameter tees, and two 168 inches in diameter X 108 inches in diameter reducing 90 degree bends.

Test pressure of the manifold was 240 psi. The linings were polyurethane and supplied by Lifelast and applied by RTALC Piping Products, Inc. The flanges were manufactured by CAB and the couplings were from Victaulic Depend O Lok.

"The project was very successful and delivered on time", said Billy Terrell, President of RTALC Piping Products, Inc.

STI/SPFA is an association serving companies that fabricate steel tanks, pipe, and pressure vessels for use in the petroleum, food, water and chemical processing industries.

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