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WX HOSTS SPECIAL PRESENTATION: SUPERTALL – Probing the Technology and Design Behind Today’s Newest Generation of Skyscrapers

NEW YORK, NY—October 26th, 2016— New York Women Executives in Real Estate (**WX**) is pleased to announce that **William F. Baker PE, SE, FASCE, FIStructE, NAE, FREng**, Structural Engineering Partner for **SOM** and **Chung Yeon Won, AIA, LEED AP**, Associate Director at **SOM**, made a special presentation on probing the technology and design behind today’s newest generation of skyscrapers at the organization’s monthly breakfast series on **Wednesday, October 26, 2016** at the **Harvard Club** in New York City.

The Latest and Greatest in Skyscrapers Design and Technology

SOM’s William Baker and Chung Yeon Won spoke about New York’s recent construction boom which has produced an unprecedented number of new skyscrapers that are taller and slenderer than ever. Giving us the inside scoop on the new design, technology and testing that has made this possible.

About William F. Baker, PE, SE, FASCE, FIStructE, NAE, FREng

Throughout William’s career, he has dedicated himself to extending the profession of structural engineering through design, research, teaching, and professional activities. Which was very clear as he was explaining one of his best-known contributions, the development of the “buttressed core” structural system of the Burj Khalifa, the world’s tallest manmade structure. Then moving on to explain how he builds and tests many other supertall buildings in New York City. While widely regarded for his work on supertall buildings, his expertise also extends to long-span roof structures, such as the Korean Air Lines Operations Hangar and the Virginia Beach Convention Center, as well as specialty structures like Broadgate Exchange House and the GM Renaissance Center’s North Lobby.

About Chung Yeon Won, AIA, LEED AP

Chung Yeon Won is currently leading the Citibank Headquarters Repositioning in Tribeca as well as a new 1,800-foot supertall in Seoul Korea. Having worked on many supertall buildings overseas, Chung Yeon Won gave us the inside scoop on what it is like to be leading a supertall project from overseas. Her experience includes the Myeong-Dong District 3 Urban Environmental Improvement Project in Korea and major mixed-use projects such as Pertamina Energy Tower in Indonesia and the Shum Yip Complex in China. Chung previously worked in the New York office for Grimshaw Architects on projects including the Fulton Street Transit Center in Lower Manhattan, Via-Verde in the South Bronx and the Ecorium of the National Ecological Institute in Korea.

About WX New York Women Executives in Real Estate

WX New York Women Executives in Real Estate is an invitation-only association of executive-level women actively engaged in the commercial real estate industry in New York. The mission of WX is to promote the advancement of women in commercial real estate; to enhance public perception about the role of women in the industry; and to promote the highest standards of professionalism, ethics and integrity in the field. Through educational seminars, breakfasts with industry leaders, mentoring programs, scholarships, and special events, WX provides members with a forum for visibility and exchange, spotlights the accomplishments of individual women in the industry, and paves the way for the next generation of women in the field. For more information, please visit www.wxnyre.org.