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EMCOR GROUP, INC. NAMED ONE OF AMERICA'S BEST BIG COMPANIES AND THE BEST MANAGED COMPANY IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY BY *FORBES* MAGAZINE

NORWALK, CONNECTICUT, January 9, 2009 - EMCOR Group, Inc. (NYSE: EME), a Fortune 500® leader in mechanical and electrical construction, energy infrastructure and facilities services for a diverse range of businesses, is proud to announce that for 2009 it has been named one of 400 of "America's Best Big Companies" by *Forbes*® magazine. This is the seventh year that EMCOR has been included on this annual list.

Additionally, for 2009 EMCOR was also recognized as the best managed company in the Construction Industry.

The 400 companies chosen by *Forbes* for its 2009 list were divided into 26 industries; they were chosen by the magazines' editors based on sales growth, consensus forecasts for long-term earnings growth, debt to total capital, earnings outlook, stock market returns, corporate governance, accounting standards, and background checks. Candidates were ranked against industry peers on 5-year and 12-month sales and earnings growth, as well as total return to shareholders.

"We are extremely honored not only to be named by *Forbes* one of America's best big companies but also to be recognized as the best managed company in the Construction Industry. We believe this distinction is a testament to our employees throughout the organization and reflects our continuing ability to perform successfully in the industry and among all the sectors in which we operate." said Frank T. MacInnis, Chairman and CEO of EMCOR. "EMCOR was built for the long term, and we take great pride in the value we have created and will continue to provide for our shareholders and our clients."

In 2008, EMCOR completed thousands of projects for its clients across the U.S., Canada, and the UK involving construction, energy infrastructure, and facilities services projects across virtually all sectors of the economy, including transportation, healthcare, water/wastewater, education,

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commercial, technology, hospitality and entertainment, pharmaceutical, government, and financial services sectors, and others.

About EMCOR Group, Inc.

A Fortune 500 company with estimated 2008 revenues of \$6.8 - \$7.0 billion, EMCOR Group, Inc. (NYSE: EME) is a global leader in mechanical and electrical construction, energy infrastructure, and facilities services. EMCOR gives life to new structures and sustains life in existing ones by its planning, installing, operating and maintaining the sophisticated and dynamic systems that create facility environments---such as electrical, mechanical, lighting, air conditioning, heating, security and power generation systems---in virtually every sector of the economy and for a diverse range of businesses around the world. EMCOR represents a rare combination of reach with local execution, combining the strength of an industry leader with the knowledge and care of 170 locations worldwide. The 30,000 skilled employees of EMCOR have made the company, in the eyes of leading business publications, amongst America's "Most Admired" and "Best Performing." EMCOR's diversity---in terms of the services it provides, the industries it serves and the geography it spans---has enabled it to create a stable platform for sustained results. The Company's strong financial position has enabled it to attract and retain among the best local and regional talent, to undertake and complete the most ambitious projects, and to redefine and shape the future of the construction and facilities services industry. Additional information on EMCOR can be found at www.EMCORGroup.com.

This release may contain certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Reform Act of 1995. Any such comments are based upon information available to EMCOR management's perception thereof, as of this date, and EMCOR assumes no obligation to update any such forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements may include statements regarding market opportunities, market share growth, gross profit, project mix, projects with varying profit margins, and selling, general and administrative expenses. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements. Accordingly these statements are no guarantee of future performance. Such risk and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, adverse effects of general economic conditions, changes in the political environment, changes in the specific markets for EMCOR's services, adverse business conditions, availability of adequate levels of surety bonding, increased competition, unfavorable labor productivity, mix of business, and risks associated with foreign operations. Certain of the risks and factors associated with EMCOR's business are also discussed in the Company's 2007 Form 10-K, its Form 10-Q for the third quarter ended September 30, 2008, and in other reports filed from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission. All these risks and factors should be taken into account in evaluating any forward-looking statements.

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