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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### Call for Entries for the AREMA 2013 Architectural Design Competition

Lanham, MD – November 26, 2012 - The American Railway Engineering and Maintenance-of-Way Association (AREMA) announced today that it will sponsor a design competition for students of architecture or building sciences as a means to introduce students to the professional opportunities in the railway and rail transit industry. Sponsored by AREMA Committee 6 - Buildings and Support Facilities, the design problem features the conceptual development of a Commuter Rail Maintenance Workshop. The competition is open to individual students working on their first professional degree in architecture or building sciences. The AREMA Educational Foundation will award a \$2,000 scholarship to the first place winner and a \$1,000 scholarship to the second place winner.

"AREMA has been very proactive in reaching out to college students with an interest in railroading," said Dr. Charles Emely, AREMA's Chief Executive Officer. "We are actively establishing student chapters at US and Canadian universities and in 2012, we awarded 34 undergraduate scholarships. This competition is our newest approach to attract highly motivated students to the dynamic career opportunities in the railroad industry."

Faculty members wishing to utilize the AREMA design problem in their spring design studios should contact AREMA at [archcompetition@arema.org](mailto:archcompetition@arema.org) for an advance copy of the design problem and competition rules. Students are now able to download the problem and entry information from the website noted below and the CADD drawing file will be posted for download beginning January 2, 2013. Deadline for entries is May 1, 2013. Winners will be announced in June, 2013 and the submissions will be placed on display at the AREMA 2013 Annual Conference in Indianapolis, IN, September 29 – October 2, 2013.

Student Architectural Design Competition Design Website:  
[http://www.arema.org/education/student/arch\\_design.aspx](http://www.arema.org/education/student/arch_design.aspx)

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#### ABOUT AREMA:

The American Railway Engineering and Maintenance-of-Way Association is the preeminent professional association responsible for developing technical standards and recommended practices for North America's freight and passenger railroad systems. With over 6000 individuals in all major engineering disciplines, AREMA members contribute technical expertise through a formal committee structure,

through training activities such as seminars, international study tours, web-based training, publications, and its annual conference in September. AREMA cooperates with all major railway associations nationally and globally to foster safe and efficient rail transportation. For more information visit [www.arema.org](http://www.arema.org)

The AREMA Educational Foundation is a tax-exempt, charitable organization established by the American Railway Engineering and Maintenance of Way Association (AREMA) to promote educational activities related to railway engineering. The Foundation provides scholarships to engineering students who are specializing in the railway industry and supports other educational and training endeavors that help to ensure the future of the profession. Contributions to the Foundation are tax deductible as charitable contributions from U.S. taxpayers to the extent allowed by law. The Foundation is also able to accept corporate contributions, gifts and bequests. Visit [www.aremafoundation.org](http://www.aremafoundation.org).

Have a Safe Day!

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