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## **NEWS RELEASE**

## Illinois Chamber of Commerce Accepting Nominations for 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Edie Awards Highlighting Outstanding Economic Development Projects

Awards supported by IEDA and sponsored by Nicor Gas

SPRINGFIELD, May 9, 2018 – The Illinois Chamber of Commerce is now accepting nominations for the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Economic Development in Illinois Awards – the Edies.

The Edies honor outstanding economic development projects completed in the calendar year of 2017 that imagine, design, invest, build and bring jobs, growth and prosperity to Illinois communities.

The Illinois Chamber is again pairing with the Illinois Economic Development Association (IEDA) to present the awards. The 2018 Edies are sponsored by Nicor Gas, a leader in economic development.

"The Edies are an initiative that encourages a thriving economy and provides businesses with opportunity to expose their positive economic accomplishments," said David Young, chair of the IEDA.

"We have seen a tremendous amount of phenomenal economic development projects be submitted over the years and have no doubt this year the bar will be set even higher. It is an honor to highlight the best of these projects through the Edie Awards," said Illinois Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Todd Maisch.

Traditionally nominations are made by economic development leaders. Nominations are being accepted now and forms are available <u>here</u>. For additional questions, please contact Katie Stonewater at the Illinois Chamber of Commerce at <u>kstonewater@ilchamber.org</u>. Nominations are due by 5 p.m. June 15, 2018.

For more information about the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, visit: ILChamber.org

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