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ELLERBE INC. CHOSEN TO DESIGN SCSU OLYMPIC ICE CENTER

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ST. CLOUD, Minn., July--Ellerbe Associates Inc. of Minneapolis has been chosen to design the new Olympic Ice Center at St. Cloud State University (SCSU).

The selection of the architectural and engineering firm was announced Tuesday, July 7, by the Minnesota State Designer Selection Board.

Ellerbe will be responsible for full architectural and engineering services for the arena, which will include two olympic-sized sheets of ice. The arena, which was authorized by the Minnesota Legislature this spring, is expected to cost about \$10 million.

SCSU's arena will be one of only three olympic-sized facilities in the United States; the others are in Soldotna, Alaska, and Lake Placid, N.Y. The Soldotna arena, completed in 1984, was designed by Ellerbe, which is the eighth-largest architectural and engineering firm in the nation.

Ellerbe has been responsible for the design and construction of numerous other similar facilities in the United States, including arenas in Providence, R.I.; Hartford, Conn.; Notre Dame, Ind.; and Annapolis, Md.

The firm was also the architect for numerous outstanding buildings in Minnesota, including the Ordway Music Theatre in St. Paul, the Minnesota Supercomputer Center Inc. in Minneapolis, the Western Life Insurance Company building in Woodbury, the Ice Palace for the 1986 St. Paul Winter Carnival and the Mayo Civic Center in Rochester.

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