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## CCEB Venue Partners Completes Construction on Spirit Communications Park for First Pitch

(Columbia, SC) - CCEB Venue Partners celebrates Opening Day of the Columbia Fireflies on April 14, 2016 with the successful completion of Spirit Communications Park at Bull Street Commons.

CCEB Venue Partners (Contract Construction, Inc., Construction Dynamics, Inc., ENVIRO AgScience, Inc. and Barton Malow Company) served as construction manager for the new Spirit Communications Park project. Spirit Communications Park is a state-of-the-art multi-use sports and entertainment venue that has seating for approximately 9,000 for baseball and 15,000 for concerts with amenities such as luxury suites, club seats, private areas for hosting private meetings, parties and gatherings as well as, social areas, grass berm seating and a play area for all attendees. The ballpark has something for everyone - for the avid baseball fan, great seats and vantage points; and for residents and guests, a public park—with the concourse and children's play area open dawn until dusk when an event is not in progress.

Spirit Communications Park is home to the Columbia Fireflies, a Minor League Baseball team that plays in the Class Single-A South Atlantic League and is an affiliate of the New York Mets of the National League in Major League Baseball. For complete details and schedule, visit <u>www.columbiafireflies.com</u>.

"CCEB has done a fabulous job, the people have gone above and beyond what was expected...There was never anything they said no to and they always found a way to get the job done. It was very clear all the contractors on site had a high level of respect for them," stated Jason Freier, chairman and CEO of Hardball Capital, owner of the Columbia Fireflies.

Spirit Communications Park will be the cornerstone for Bull Street Commons, a mixed-use development that is transforming the former State Mental Hospital campus. The ballpark at Bull Street Commons will serve as a gateway to downtown Columbia, expected to bring half a million new visitors downtown every year and help generate thousands of new jobs.

9,000+ fans packed the stands to witness an exciting home opener last Thursday, and that's exactly what they got. Jason Freier, owner of Hardball Capital and the Columbia Fireflies started the evening by bringing the construction team, design team and select local dignitaries on the field to thank them for their hard work in delivering a world-class venue to the City of Columbia. Following the first pitch thrown out by Mayor Steve Benjamin, the cheering crowd got to enjoy nine (9) thrilling innings of baseball with a big WIN for the Columbia Fireflies in the inaugural game at their new ballpark!

## **About CCEB Venue Partners**

CCEB Venue Partners is a Construction Management at Risk Services Team consisting of Barton Malow Company, Contract Construction, Inc., Construction Dynamic, Inc., in association with ENVIRO AgScience, Inc. CCEB combines the strength, capabilities and resources of four highly respected firm's into one cohesive team. Collectively, we have more than 225 years of experience and have worked in South Carolina since the 1980s.





Opening Night Columbia Fireflies vs. Greenville Drive; Spirit Communications Park ###