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TowerPinkster Continues to Bring Talent and Expanded Services to West Michigan

January 9, 2017 – TowerPinkster, an architecture and engineering firm specializing in education, healthcare, commercial and government building design, is experiencing continued growth in the West Michigan market and has announced the appointment of eight new employees.

A 20 year veteran of the field, **Scott Harmon** comes to TowerPinkster as an architectural project coordinator. With a focus in Building Construction Management, Harmon earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Michigan State University. His broad experience ranges from construction management and software expertise to architectural design and detailing. Having worked in education, corporate office space, airports, and healthcare facilities, Harmon's experience is directly applicable to many of the major projects that TowerPinkster currently has in design and construction.

With experience from Michigan to Minnesota and Texas, **Don Glennie** has arrived at TowerPinkster as a seasoned mechanical designer. Glennie brings over 30 years of system design experience in the architecture and engineering field. He attended Alpena Community College and studied plumbing system design at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. When he is not in the office, he is on the field as a youth soccer coach, a role he has enjoyed for 25 years.

Hudsonville native **Matt Van Duinen** has returned to West Michigan from Fond du Lac, Wisc. It was there that he gained experience in the industrial market as a mechanical designer. Van Duinen has brought this expertise to TowerPinkster's Kalamazoo office as he works on designs for various processing plants. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering Technology and Engineering Management from Ferris State University. An avid outdoorsman, he is eager to settle in the Kalamazoo area with his wife.

One of the state's biggest Star Wars fans, **Andrew Queenan**, **AIA**, recently joined TowerPinkster as project architect. Queenan, who owns an almost functional "lightsaber," brings more than five years of experience in design. Hailing from Toledo, Ohio, he earned his Bachelor of Science and Master of Architecture from Lawrence Technological University and is a member of the American Institute of Architects (AIA), having earned his architecture license in January 2015.

Rina Sahay joins TowerPinkster as a BIM specialist. She brings over 14 years of experience using and teaching Computer Aided Drawing and Design Technology, to include REVIT Architecture, AutoCAD, and 3-D Computer Modeling and Animation, Computer Visualization and Adobe products. Rina earned her Master of Architecture from the University of Michigan and has experience teaching Architectural Construction and Technology at Baker College, Davenport University, and Indiana University – Purdue

University Fort Wayne. Rina, who is excitedly expecting a grandchild for Christmas, is very proud of her 95-pound German Shepard that picks up his own toys.

LEED® Green Associate, **Kevin Tempelman**, is an architectural designer joining TowerPinkster. He brings a full range of design skills including higher education, recreation, civic, master planning and commercial experience. He earned his Master of Architecture from Ball State University and spent two years gaining experience at a firm located across the street from the Art Institute of Chicago.

Allyson Andrews and Marissa Dotson have joined the TowerPinkster as interns. Andrews is an Architectural Intern from Grand Rapids Community College where she is earning her Associate of Arts. She recently earned her Engineering Technology Computer-Aided Drafting and Design certificate from Kent Career Technical Center. **Dotson** is a senior studying Interior Design at Western Michigan University.

"At the rate the building industry is growing it can be difficult to find new employees who are able to jump right in and hit the ground running," said Architectural Department Manager Rob Courter. "We have been really lucky to fill our open positions with talented people who are ready to immerse themselves."

TowerPinkster is looking to fill more open positions. For more information, please go to towerpinkster.com/careers.

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