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**Barge Acquires Carlisle Associates Inc.**

Natick, MA (July 2, 2025) – Leading industry innovator Barge Design Solutions acquired Carlisle Associates, Inc., a firm specializing in architecture, civil, structural, mechanical, and electrical engineering. The acquisition expands Barge's presence in South Carolina and strengthens its capabilities in the growing industrial sector.

Founded in 1977, Carlisle Associates brings nearly five decades of experience in industrial design and a strong track record of delivering projects that meet both immediate and long-term client needs.

"The Carolinas are experiencing strong momentum, particularly in advanced manufacturing, making this a pivotal time for growth," said Carrie Stokes, CEO and president of Barge. "Carlisle's strong regional presence and deep technical expertise make them a natural fit as we execute our strategic growth plan. Just as important, they share our employee-focused culture and a legacy of building trusted, long-term partnerships – values that have guided both of our firms for decades."

The Carlisle Associates team will continue operations in Columbia, South Carolina, under the name "Carlisle Associates, a division of Barge Design Solutions."

"Joining Barge allows us to expand our reach and impact, and tap into broader resources to pursue diversified opportunities and enhance operational efficiencies," shares Gene Resch, president of Carlisle Associates. "We're pleased to align ourselves with a firm that is equally committed to delivering the best possible outcomes for clients and shares a similar vision for the industry."

Morrissey Goodale, a specialized management consulting and research firm exclusively serving the architecture, engineering, and environmental consulting industries, initiated the transaction and advised Barge Design Solutions.



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