# **ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATING**

ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATING ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATING A COMPREHENSIVE GUIDE 1 ACCURATE ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATING IS PARAMOUNT FOR SUCCESSFUL PROJECT EXECUTION IT ENSURES FINANCIAL FEASIBILITY PROVIDES A CLEAR BUDGET FRAMEWORK AND FACILITATES INFORMED DECISIONMAKING THROUGHOUT THE PROJECT LIFECYCLE THIS GUIDE DELVES INTO THE INTRICACIES OF ELECTRICAL COST ESTIMATING PROVIDING A COMPREHENSIVE OVERVIEW OF ITS KEY COMPONENTS METHODOLOGIES AND BEST PRACTICES 2 KEY COMPONENTS OF ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATES ELECTRICAL COST ESTIMATES ENCOMPASS VARIOUS COMPONENTS THAT NEED METICULOUS CONSIDERATION THESE INCLUDE DIRECT COSTS THESE COSTS DIRECTLY RELATE TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ELECTRICAL SYSTEM SUCH AS LABOR SKILLED ELECTRICIANS HELPERS AND SUPERVISORS MATERIALS WIRES CABLES CONDUIT FIXTURES SWITCHES OUTLETS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT EQUIPMENT CRANES LIFTS AND OTHER SPECIALIZED TOOLS TRANSPORTATION DELIVERY OF MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT TO THE SITE PREPARATION EXCAVATION GRADING AND FOUNDATION WORK INDIRECT COSTS THESE COSTS ARE INCURRED INDIRECTLY DURING THE PROJECT SUCH AS PROJECT MANAGEMENT PLANNING SCHEDULING AND SUPERVISION ENGINEERING DESIGN DRAFTING AND TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS PERMITTING AND INSPECTIONS OBTAINING NECESSARY PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS INSURANCE WORKERS COMPENSATION LIABILITY AND PROPERTY INSURANCE CONTINGENCY BUFFER FOR UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES AND COST FLUCTUATIONS OVERHEAD COSTS THESE COSTS COVER GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES INCLUDING SALARIES OFFICE STAFF ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL RENT OFFICE SPACE EQUIPMENT STORAGE UTILITIES ELECTRICITY WATER AND TELEPHONE DEPRECIATION WEAR AND TEAR ON EQUIPMENT PROFIT This represents the contractors markup to ensure profitability 3 Estimating Methodologies 2 SEVERAL ESTABLISHED METHODOLOGIES ARE EMPLOYED FOR ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATING UNIT COST METHOD THIS METHOD USES PREDETERMINED UNIT COSTS FOR VARIOUS LABOR MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT BASED ON HISTORICAL DATA AND INDUSTRY BENCHMARKS ITS SUITABLE FOR LARGESCALE PROJECTS WHERE DETAILED DESIGN INFORMATION IS NOT AVAILABLE UPFRONT DETAILED ESTIMATING THIS METHOD INVOLVES A METICULOUS BREAKDOWN OF ALL PROJECT ELEMENTS INCLUDING MATERIALS LABOR EQUIPMENT AND OVERHEAD IT REQUIRES DETAILED DRAWINGS SPECIFICATIONS AND ACCURATE QUANTITY TAKEOFFS ITS BEST FOR PROJECTS WITH COMPLEX ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS AND SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS PARAMETRIC ESTIMATING THIS METHOD USES STATISTICAL RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN PROJECT VARIABLES EG SQUARE FOOTAGE COMPLEXITY AND HISTORICAL COST DATA TO PREDICT THE PROJECT COST ITS OFTEN USED FOR INITIAL FEASIBILITY STUDIES AND PRELIMINARY BUDGET ESTIMATIONS BOTTOMUP ESTIMATING THIS METHOD INVOLVES BUILDING THE ESTIMATE FROM THE GROUND UP STARTING WITH INDIVIDUAL COST COMPONENTS AND ADDING THEM TOGETHER ITS COMMONLY USED FOR SMALLER PROJECTS OR WHEN SPECIFIC COST DETAILS ARE AVAILABLE 4 FACTORS INFLUENCING ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION COSTS MULTIPLE FACTORS CAN INFLUENCE ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION COSTS REQUIRING CAREFUL ANALYSIS AND ADJUSTMENTS PROJECT SIZE AND SCOPE LARGER PROJECTS TYPICALLY INVOLVE HIGHER COSTS DUE TO INCREASED LABOR MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS PROJECT COMPLEXITY COMPLEX ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS WITH INTRICATE WIRING SOPHISTICATED EQUIPMENT AND SPECIALIZED INSTALLATIONS INCUR HIGHER COSTS LOCATION GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION IMPACTS TRANSPORTATION LABOR COSTS AND MATERIAL AVAILABILITY INFLUENCING OVERALL COSTS PROJECT SCHEDULE TIGHT TIMELINES OFTEN NECESSITATE OVERTIME AND EXPEDITED DELIVERY INCREASING PROJECT COSTS MATERIAL COSTS FLUCTUATIONS IN COMMODITY PRICES SUPPLY CHAIN DISRUPTIONS AND MARKET DEMAND CAN AFFECT MATERIAL COSTS SIGNIFICANTLY LABOR AVAILABILITY SHORTAGES OF SKILLED ELECTRICIANS AND TECHNICIANS CAN LEAD TO HIGHER LABOR COSTS AND PROJECT DELAYS CODE AND REGULATIONS STRINGENT BUILDING CODES AND LOCAL REGULATIONS MAY NECESSITATE ADDITIONAL MATERIALS LABOR AND DESIGN CHANGES IMPACTING PROJECT COSTS ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS SUSTAINABLE DESIGN PRACTICES ENERGY EFFICIENCY MEASURES AND COMPLIANCE WITH environmental regulations can influence project costs 5 Best Practices for Effective Cost ESTIMATING 3 TO ENSURE ACCURACY AND RELIABILITY IN ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATING ADHERE TO THESE BEST PRACTICES ESTABLISH CLEAR SCOPE OF WORK DEFINE THE PROJECTS SCOPE INCLUDING ALL

ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT AND SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS ACCURATE QUANTITY TAKEOFF PRECISELY MEASURE AND QUANTIFY ALL MATERIALS LABOR AND EQUIPMENT NEEDED FOR THE PROJECT THOROUGH RESEARCH AND DATA COLLECTION USE RELIABLE HISTORICAL DATA MARKET PRICING AND INDUSTRY BENCHMARKS TO INFORM COST ESTIMATES CONSIDER RISK AND CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FOR UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES POTENTIAL DELAYS AND MATERIAL PRICE FLUCTUATIONS WITH A CONTINGENCY BUFFER REGULAR UPDATES AND REVISIONS MONITOR MARKET TRENDS MATERIAL COSTS AND PROJECT CHANGES ADJUSTING ESTIMATES AS NEEDED COLLABORATION AND COMMUNICATION MAINTAIN OPEN COMMUNICATION WITH ALL STAKEHOLDERS INCLUDING ENGINEERS CONTRACTORS AND CLIENTS TO ENSURE CONSISTENT UNDERSTANDING AND MANAGE EXPECTATIONS SOFTWARE AND TOOLS UTILIZE SPECIALIZED ESTIMATING SOFTWARE AND TOOLS TO STREAMLINE THE PROCESS ENHANCE ACCURACY AND SIMPLIFY CALCULATIONS 6 CONCLUSION EFFECTIVE ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATING IS CRITICAL FOR PROJECT SUCCESS BY UNDERSTANDING THE KEY COMPONENTS METHODOLOGIES AND FACTORS INFLUENCING COSTS PRACTITIONERS CAN DEVELOP ACCURATE ESTIMATES MANAGE BUDGETS EFFECTIVELY AND ENSURE PROJECT PROFITABILITY CONTINUOUSLY REFINING ESTIMATION TECHNIQUES STAYING INFORMED ABOUT MARKET TRENDS AND EMBRACING BEST PRACTICES ARE ESSENTIAL FOR NAVIGATING THE COMPLEXITIES OF ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATING AND ACHIEVING OPTIMAL PROJECT OUTCOMES

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THE AIM OF THIS BOOK IS TO OFFER ADVICE AND INFORMATION ON PREPARING AND USING ESTIMATES IN THE CIVIL ENGINEERING INDUSTRY IT DEALS WITH ESTIMATING AT DIFFERENT STAGES OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AND WITH THE PRACTICE OF ESTIMATING

THIS REVISION OF THE AUTHOR S BESTSELLING EARLIER WORK ON COST ESTIMATING HAS BEEN UPDATED TO PROVIDE CURRENTLY APPLICABLE EXAMPLES DATA AND TECHNIQUES TWO NEW CHAPTERS HAVE BEEN ADDED COVERING COMPUTER TOOLS AND MODELS FOR COST ESTIMATING WHERE TO GET THESE TOOLS AND THE FEATURES TO LOOK FOR SOFTWARE COST ESTIMATING WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON THE EFFECT OF CASE TOOLS ON SOFTWARE PRODUCTIVITIES AND RESULTING SOFTWARE COSTS A COMPLETE SET OF INFLATION TABLES IS NOW INCLUDED TO PERMIT CONVERSION FROM ANY YEAR DOLLARS TO ANY OTHER YEAR DOLLARS FROM 1959 THROUGH 1997 RETAINS ITS COMPREHENSIVE COVERAGE OF THE ELEMENTS NEEDED TO EMBARK ON A COST ESTIMATING TASK STRENGTHENED ARE THE INVALUABLE PARTS OF THE BOOK WHICH TELL THE ESTIMATOR HOW TO PRODUCE A COMPETITIVE AND CREDIBLE COST ESTIMATE MANUFACTURING STANDARDS FOR HARDWARE AND ELECTRONICS ARE RETAINED AS ARE HANDY TABLES FOR DETERMINING THE COSTS OF ENGINEERING DESIGN DOCUMENTATION DRAFTING AND TESTING

COMPANIES LIVE OR DIE ON THE BASIS OF ESTIMATING THEIR COSTS PREPARING ESTIMATES AND BIDDING FOR NEW JOBS IS A COMPLEX AND OFTEN COSTLY PROCESS THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR ON THE JOB TRAINING UNTIL NOW DRAWING ON THE AUTHORS COMBINED EXPERIENCE OF MORE THAN 70 YEARS ESTIMATING BUILDING COSTS PRESENTS STATE OF THE ART PRINCIPLES PRACTICES A

ROBERT PEURIFOY WAS A GIANT IN THE FIELD OF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING AND AUTHORED SEVERAL BOOKS DURING HIS LIFETIME THIS BOOK LAST PUBLISHED IN 1989 AND WILL CAPITALIZE ON THE WELL KNOWN NAME OF THE AUTHOR IN THIS EDITION COMPUTER CALCULATIONS OF COSTS AND OF MODELING HAVE BEEN ADDED AS WELL AS UPDATED STATISTICS COMPUTER RELATED EXAMPLES AND NEW PROBLEMS CIVIL ENVIRONMENTAL AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT ENGINEERING MAJORS AND PROFESSIONALS WILL BENEFIT FROM HAVING THIS TITLE ON THEIR SHELF THIS EDITION RETAINS THE CONCEPTUAL STRENGTHS OF THE PEURIFOY APPROACH AND ORGANIZATION FROM THE PREVIOUS EDITION BUT THE NEW PROBLEMS AND COMPUTER BASED EXAMPLES AND NEW UP TO DATE CONSTRUCTION DATA MAKE IT THE ONLY CHOICE IN ACADEMIA OR INDUSTRY

THE PRIMARY OBJECTIVE OF COST ESTIMATING IS TO SUPPORT THE TIMELY GENERATION OF BID OR ALTERNATIVE ESTIMATES COST ESTIMATING ALSO SUPPORTS MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS OF ESTIMATE ACCURACY REASONABLENESS AND PROJECT RISK THROUGH THE GENERATION OF SUMMARY REPORTS AND ANALYSIS ESTIMATES ALSO PROVIDE A BASE OF INFORMATION DURING CONSTRUCTION FOR SUCH ITEMS AS SCOPE CHANGES TO THE CONTRACT VARIATIONS IN COSTS OF THE PROJECT COST TOTAL PROJECT COST FEEDBACK FOR SCHEDULING ETC CONTRUCTION COST ESTIMATING IS THE PROCESS OF IDENTIFYING AND COMPILING THE MANY ITEMS OF COST THAT WILL ENTER INTO A CONSTRUCTION PROJECT THIS IS A PROCEDURE THAT REQUIRES VERY DETAILED STUDY OF THE PROJECT DURING THE DIFFERENT CONSTRUCTION STAGES COMBINED WITH AN INTIMATE KNOWLEDGE OF THE AVAILABILITY CHARACTERISTICS AND COST OF MATERIALS EQUIPMENT LABOR CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATES BECOMES USEFUL FOR DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES DURING THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECT SUCH AS 1 PROCUREMENT THE SELECTION AND PURCHASE OF MATERIALS EQUIPMENT LABOR FOR INDIVIDUAL WORK ITEMS DURING CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECT 2 CHANGE ORDERS DURING CONSTRUCION DUE TO ALTERATIONS IN THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT DELAYS IN THE CONSTRUCTION DUE TO UNAVOIDABLE REASONS OR ANY OTHER PROBLEMS OCCURING BETWEEN THE OWNER AND CONTRACTOR ESTIMATING IS USED TO DETERMINE THE INCREASE OR DECREASE IN THE AMOUNT OF THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT OR INVOLVE NO CHANGE 3 BACK CHARGES CHARGES FOR MATERIALS EQUIPMENT LABOR OR OTHER COSTS FURNISHED TO THE CONTRACTOR BY THE OWNER TO THE CONTRACTOR BY THE ARCHITECT ENGINEER OR TO A SUB CONTRACTOR VENDOR BY THE CONTRACTOR DUE TO DEFECTIVE INCOMPLETE OR UNSATISFACTORY WORK DURING CONSTRUCTION THIS REQUIRES THE PREPARATION OF AN ESTIMATED COST OF THE BACK CHARGE WORK SO THAT THE OWNER OR CONTRACTOR CAN HAVE INFORMATION REGARDING THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF BACK CHARGES 4USE OF CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATING BECOMES HELPFUL IN DETERMINING THE FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE PROJECT BY DETERMINING THE TOTAL COST OF WORK ITEMS COMPLETED TO DATE THE COST OF WORK REQUIRED TO COMPLETE AND PROJECTED FINAL COSTS SO THAT ONE CAN DETERMINE WHETHER THERE WILL BE A PROJECT

UNDERRUN OR OVERRUN ALSO IT BECOMES USEFUL TO DETERMINE THE PAYMENT TO BE MADE TO THE CONTRACTOR BY THE OWNER FOR THE EXECUTED WORK SO THAT HE HAS SUFFICIENT INFORMATION CONCERNING THE CASHFLOW FOR THE ENTIRE PROJECT THIS ALSO PROVIDES RELATIVE INFORMATION TO SCHEDULING SYSTEMS FOR MANPOWER PLANNING AND RESOURCE EVALUATION ESTIMATING ALSO PLAYS AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN PROVIDING INFORMATION FOR THE COST CONTROL OF THE PROJECT ESTIMATING AND COST CONTROL ARE THE TWO MOST IMPORTANT TASKS A CONTRACTOR PERFORMS TO DEVELOP EQUIPMENT LABOR PRODUCTION RATES FOR EACH AND EVERY WORK ITEM OF THE PROJECT DURING CONSTRUCTION AND FOR THE SELECTION OF LABOR AND EQUIPMENT ALSO ESTIMATING BECOMES USEFUL TO KEEP THE COST OF AN ON GOING PROJECT WITHIN THE ESTABLISHED BUDGET

CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATING EQUIPS A NEW GENERATION OF STUDENTS AND EARLY CAREER PROFESSIONALS WITH THE SKILLS THEY NEED TO BID SUCCESSFULLY ON PROJECTS FROM DEVELOPING BID STRATEGIES TO SUBMITTING A COMPLETED BID THIS INNOVATIVE TEXTBOOK INTRODUCES THE FUNDAMENTALS OF CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATING THROUGH A REAL LIFE CASE STUDY THAT UNFOLDS ACROSS ITS 24 CHAPTERS CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATING ENSURES THAT READERS ARE FAMILIAR WITH THE ENTIRE ESTIMATING PROCESS BEFORE THEY EVEN SET FOOT ON THE JOBSITE

COVERING THE LIFE OF A CONSTRUCTION PROJECT FROM INCEPTION TO COMPLETION THIS USEFUL REFERENCE EXPLAINS BASIC AND ADVANCED ASPECTS OF ENGINEERING ECONOMICS COST ESTIMATING COST CONTROL COST FORECASTING PLANNING AND SCHEDULING IT SERVES BOTH AS A COMPREHENSIVE INTRODUCTION TO COST ENGINEERING AND AS A PRACTICAL ON THE JOB GUIDE FOR ANY CONSTRUCTION PROJECT WHERE THE OBJECT IS ECONOMY CONSTRUCTION COST ENGINEERING HANDBOOK DESCRIBES THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF EACH MEMBER OF THE CONSTRUCTION TEAM AND DEFINES THEIR RELATIONSHIP TO PROJECT CONTROL ANALYZES PROJECT ECONOMICS BEFORE DURING AND AFTER A PROJECT S FINISH EXAMINES VARIOUS TYPES AND METHODS OF ESTIMATING DISTINGUISHES BETWEEN COST REPORTING AND COST FORECASTING WITH VALUABLE COST AND SCHEDULING INTEGRATION EXAMPLES CONSIDERS PLANNING AND SCHEDULING PROCEDURES SUCH AS THE BAR CHART AND SOPHISTICATED CONTEMPORARY TECHNIQUES HIGHLIGHTS WAYS OF AVOIDING COMMON MISTAKES THROUGH DATA DEVELOPMENT AND FURNISHES COMPUTER SAMPLES FOR ESTIMATING COST CONTROL COST FORECASTING AND SCHEDULING ILLUSTRATED WITH MORE THAN 180 EXCELLENT DIAGRAMS AND DRAWINGS AND FEATURING CONVENIENT APPENDIXES ON FOREIGN AND REMOTE PROJECTS CODE OF ACCOUNTS AND WORK BREAKDOWN STRUCTURE AND TYPICAL PROJECT ACTIVITIES CONSTRUCTION COST ENGINEERING HANDBOOK IS AN INDISPENSABLE REFERENCE FOR CIVIL COST PROJECT PLANT DESIGN CONSTRUCTION AND INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERS AND MANAGERS AS WELL AS ARCHITECTS BUILDING CONTRACTORS AND FINANCIAL CONTROLLERS INVOLVED WITH CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS BOOK JACKET

ESTIMATING BUILDING COSTS FEW ASPECTS OF A CONSTRUCTION PROJECT ARE MORE FUNDAMENTAL THAN THE COST ESTIMATE WHICH CAN MEAN THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A PROFESSIONALLY EXECUTED PROJECT AND A FINANCIAL AND LEGAL DISASTER PROPERLY HANDLED A CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATE CAN PROTECT BOTH THE CONTRACTOR AND THE CLIENT FROM LOSING MONEY ON A PROJECT THE ESTIMATE IS THE FIRST STEP TOWARD A SUCCESSFUL PROJECT FOR CONTRACTORS THEREFORE THE KNOWLEDGE REQUIRED TO CONSTRUCT AN ACCURATE PRICE ESTIMATE IS CRITICAL ESTIMATING BUILDING COSTS FOR THE RESIDENTIAL AND LIGHT COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION PROFESSIONAL PROVIDES THIS KNOWLEDGE IN A THOROUGH AND COMPREHENSIVE GUIDE IT TAKES READERS STEP BY STEP THROUGH THE PROCESS OF CONSTRUCTING A COST ESTIMATE AND PROVIDES GUIDANCE FOR INCORPORATING COST ESTIMATES INTO BUDGETING SCHEDULING PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND MORE THE RESULT IS A FUNDAMENTAL GUIDE TO THIS CRITICAL ASPECT OF THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY READERS OF THE THIRD EDITION OF ESTIMATING BUILDING COSTS FOR THE RESIDENTIAL AND LIGHT COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION PROFESSIONAL WILL ALSO FIND FULLY UPDATED TEXT TO REFLECT THE NEW CSI MASTERFORMATTM 2020 ANALYSIS OF COST CONSIDERATIONS QUANTITY TAKEOFF PRICING AND MORE STEP BY STEP GUIDANCE FOR DEVELOPING A COMPREHENSIVE COST ESTIMATE ALL NEW SECTIONS COVERING SCOPE OF WORK WAGE SCALES IN THE US AND A PROJECT OVERHEAD CHECKLIST CONSIDERATIONS FOR ADDING PROFIT AND CONTINGENCIES TO AN ESTIMATE ESTIMATING BUILDING COSTS FOR THE RESIDENTIAL AND LIGHT COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION PROFESSIONAL IS AN ESSENTIAL RESOURCE FOR CONTRACTORS IN RESIDENTIAL AND LIGHT COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION AS WELL AS STUDENTS STUDYING CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATING

THIS WORK PROVIDES PRINCIPLES TECHNIQUES FOR THE EVALUATION OF CONSTRUCTION DESIGN EMPHASIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF STRONG ANALYSIS SKILLS EXPLORING ESTIMATION IT AIMS TO PROVIDE READERS WITH A BALANCED COHESIVE OVERVIEW OF THESE TWO AREAS

IN TODAY S HYPERCOMPETITIVE GLOBAL MARKETPLACE ACCURATE COSTESTIMATING IS CRUCIAL TO BOTTOM LINE RESULTS NOWHERE IS THIS MOREEVIDENT THAN IN THE DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT OF NEW PRODUCTS ANDSERVICES AMONG MANAGING ENGINEERS RESPONSIBLE FOR DEVELOPINGREALISTIC COST ESTIMATES FOR NEW PRODUCT DESIGNS THE NUMBER ONESOURCE OF INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE HAS BEEN THE COST ESTIMATOR SREFERENCE MANUAL COMPREHENSIVE AUTHORITATIVE AND PRACTICAL THE MANUAL INSTRUCTSREADERS IN THE FULL RANGE OF COST ESTIMATING TECHNIQUES ANDPROCEDURES CURRENTLY USED IN THE FIELDS OF DEVELOPMENT TESTING MANUFACTURING PRODUCTION CONSTRUCTION SOFTWARE GENERALSERVICES GOVERNMENT CONTRACTING ENGINEERING SERVICES SCIENTIFICPROJECTS AND PROPOSAL PREPARATION THE AUTHORS CLEARLY EXPLAIN HOW TO GO ABOUT GATHERING THE DATA ESSENTIAL TO PREPARING A REALISTICESTIMATE OF COSTS AND GUIDE THE READER STEP BY STEP THROUGH EACHPROCEDURE THIS NEW SECOND EDITION INCORPORATES A DECADE OF PROGRESS IN THEMETHODS PROCEDURES AND STRATEGIES OF COST ESTIMATING ALL THEMATERIAL HAS BEEN UPDATED AND FIVE NEW CHAPTERS HAVE BEEN ADDED TOREFLECT THE MOST RECENT INFORMATION ON SUCH INCREASINGLY IMPORTANTIOPICS AS ACTIVITY BASED COSTING SOFTWARE ESTIMATING DESIGN TO COST TECHNIQUES AND COST IMPLICATIONS OF NEW CONCURRENTENGINEERING AND SYSTEMS ENGINEERING APPROACHES TO PROJECTS INDISPENSABLE TO VIRTUALLY ANYONE WHOSE WORK REQUIRES ACCURATE COSTESTIMATES THE COST ESTIMATOR S REFERENCE MANUAL WILL BE ESPECIALLYVALUABLE TO ENGINEERS ESTIMATORS ACCOUNTANTS AND CONTRACTORS OFPRODUCTS PROJECTS PROCESSES AND SERVICES TO BOTH GOVERNMENT ANDINDUSTRY THE ESSENTIAL READY REFERENCE FOR THE TECHNIQUES METHODS ANDPROCEDURES OF COST ESTIMATING COST ESTIMATOR S REFERENCE MANUAL SECOND EDITION INDISPENSABLE FOR ANYONE WHO DEPENDS ON ACCURATE COST ESTIMATES FORENGINEERING PROJECTS THE COST ESTIMATOR S REFERENCE MANUAL GUIDESTHE USER THROUGH BOTH THE BASIC AND MORE SOPHISTICATED ASPECTS OF THE ESTIMATING PROCESS AUTHORITATIVE AND COMPREHENSIVE THE MANUALSEAMLESSLY INTEGRATES THE MANY FUNCTIONS ACCOUNTING FINANCIAL STATISTICAL AND MANAGEMENT OF MODERN COST ESTIMATING PRACTICE ITS BROAD COVERAGE INCLUDES ESTIMATING PROCEDURES APPLIED TO SUCHAREAS AS PRODUCTION SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT GENERAL SERVICES TESTING GOVERNMENT CONTRACTING MANUFACTURING ENGINEERING PROPOSAL PREPARATION SCIENTIFIC PROJECTS CONSTRUCTION THIS UPDATED AND EXPANDED SECOND EDITION INCORPORATES ALL THE MOSTIMPORTANT RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN COST ESTIMATING SUCH ASACTIVITY BASED COSTING SOFTWARE ESTIMATING DESIGN TO COSTTECHNIQUES COMPUTER AIDED ESTIMATING TOOLS CONCURRENTENGINEERING AND LIFE CYCLE COSTING FOR ENGINEERS ESTIMATORS ACCOUNTANTS PLANNERS AND OTHERS WHOARE INVOLVED IN THE COST ASPECTS OF PROJECTS THE COST ESTIMATOR SREFERENCE MANUAL IS AN INVALUABLE INFORMATION SOURCE THAT WILL PAYFOR ITSELF MANY TIMES OVER

THIS SECOND EDITION OF THE STANDARD GUIDE TO CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATING NOW COVERS ESTIMATING IN A WIDER RANGE OF TRADES WHEREAS THE FIRST EDITION EMPHASIZED HEAVY CONSTRUCTION ESPECIALLY IN CONCRETE THIS SECOND EDITION INCLUDES ESTIMATION IN BUILDING LIGHT CONSTRUCTION PRESENTED HERE IS A PRACTICAL METHOD FOR PREPARING CONSISTENT AND DETAILED COST ESTIMATES FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS THE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT IS DIVIDED INTO SEPARATE JOB ITEMS AND EACH JOB ITEM IS SUBDIVIDED AND ESTIMATED BY APPLYING A SYSTEM OF UNIT COSTS COVERS TERMINOLOGY AND INCLUDES HANDY TABLES

A PRACTICAL HANDS ON GUIDE TO REAL WORLD CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATING HOW TO ESTIMATE WITH RSMEANS DATA IS THE ONLY INSTRUCTIONAL BOOK ON CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATING THAT USES THE MOST POPULAR SOURCE OF CONSTRUCTION COST DATA RS MEANS THIS UPDATED FIFTH EDITION INCLUDES NEW COVERAGE ON THE ROLE OF BUILDING INFORMATION MODELING BIM IN THE ESTIMATING PROCESS AND OVER 300 SAMPLE PROBLEMS AND EXERCISES THAT SHOW YOU HOW TO APPLY COST DATA TO YOUR BUILDING PROJECT BASED ON THE RS MEANS 2015 BUILDING CONSTRUCTION COST DATA THE COMPANION WEBSITE PROVIDES ACCESS TO RS MEANS COSTWORKS DATA ALLOWING YOU TO USE REAL WORLD NUMBERS IN YOUR PRACTICE ESTIMATES AND THE INCLUDED INSTRUCTOR S MANUAL PROVIDES STEP BY STEP SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS IN THE BOOK FOCUSED ON THE PRACTICAL ASPECTS OF ESTIMATING THIS BOOK EMPHASIZES THE APPLICATION OF ESTIMATING TECHNIQUES WHICH

ARE TRANSFERABLE TO ANY ESTIMATING SOFTWARE THROUGH PROBLEM SOLVING AND THE GROUND UP CREATION OF COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT ESTIMATES ESTIMATING SKILLS ARE FUNDAMENTAL TO THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY AND ARE APPLIED BY ALL PARTIES AT ALL LEVELS THROUGHOUT THE INDUSTRY THIS BOOK IS A HANDS ON GUIDE TO THE TECHNIQUES AND TOOLS USED TO CREATE A THOROUGH ESTIMATE WITH PLENTY OF OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRACTICE APPLY COST DATA TO ALL ASPECTS OF THE BUILDING PROJECT PRACTICE YOUR SKILLS ON OVER 300 SAMPLE PROBLEMS CONSTRUCT A COMPLETE ESTIMATE USING RSMEANS BESIDES BEING AN ESSENTIAL CONSTRUCTION SKILL LEARNING ESTIMATING HELPS YOU BECOME FAMILIAR WITH READING AND UNDERSTANDING CONSTRUCTION BLUEPRINTS AND HOW CONSTRUCTION ASSEMBLIES ARE BUILT MASTERY OF THESE VITAL SKILLS IS IMPORTANT TO YOUR FUTURE CAREER AND HOW TO ESTIMATE WITH RSMEANS DATA IS YOUR IDEAL GUIDE TO A SOLID FOUNDATION

USING NORTH AMERICA S MOST RECOGNIZED CONSTRUCTION COST DATA FROM RSMEANS THIS STEP BY STEP GUIDE DEVELOPS PROBLEM SOLVING SKILLS THROUGH OVER 300 SAMPLE PROBLEMS AND EXERCISES ALL OF THE MAJOR CONSTRUCTION ITEMS INCLUDING SITE WORK CONCRETE AND MASONRY WOOD AND METAL FRAMING DOORS AND WINDOWS AND MORE ARE COVERED ACCESS TO A PASSWORD PROTECTED WEB SITE IS INCLUDED WHICH CONTAINS THE INSTRUCTION VERSION OF RSMEANS COS WORKS THE ELECTRONIC VERSION OF RS MEANS BUILDING CONSTRUCTION COST DATA AND SAMPLE BUILDING PLANS AND SPREADSHEETS ENABLING YOU TO PRACTICE CREATING A COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATE

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