

WYCC—TV20 (PBS) Chicago, Illinois

Projects: Complete TV and Radio
Broadcast Facility
Contract Value: \$ 14,000,000.00



The City Colleges of Chicago and its licensed station, WYCC-TV20, have broken ground on a new \$250 million multi-purpose HD facility. Austin AECOM was selected as the construction manager for the new facility, part of a 500,000 square foot, 40-acre college campus in the City's Englewood community (Kennedy-King College).

WYCC will be the first completely equipped HD station in the Chicago market and will include three studios,

five NLE suites, and two graphics suites. Major equipment selected by WYCC includes Sony HDC-1500L field production cameras, Sony XDCAM HD camcorders and decks, Sony MVS-8000A production switcher, and PESA 512x512 routing and master control switchers.

The project has had a long gestation period according to Fabio Pansolini, Senior VP, Diversified Systems. Initially, Austin AECOM tapped Diversified to provide workflow space analy-

sis that bridged the diverse nature and needs of both a college and a television station. This led to Diversified receiving the complete design/build contract in October, 2006.

Expected to be completed in 2007, DS began the detailed system design in 4th quarter, 2006, with integration slated to be complete by mid-2007.

