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Anirban Basu was named Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) chief economist in February 2008. His primary responsibility is to provide ABC with timely, comprehensive analyses of important trends in the U.S. commercial and industrial construction industry.

Basu produces ABC's electronic economic news report, *Construction Economic Update*, which includes an analysis of the following federal government economic indicators upon their release: construction spending, employment, producer price index and gross domestic product. Basu also writes a monthly column for *Construction Executive* magazine and produces ABC's Backlog Indicator Survey, launched in December 2008.

In 2004, Basu became founder, chairman and CEO of Sage Policy Group, Inc., an economic and policy consulting firm in Baltimore, Md. He is one of the mid-Atlantic region's most visible economists, in part because of his consulting work with prominent developers, bankers, brokerage houses, energy suppliers and law firms. He previously worked as director of applied economics and senior economist at the Regional Economics Studies Institute at Towson University, Towson, Md.

Basu has a bachelor of science degree in foreign service from Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. He received a master of public policy degree from Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government in 1992, and a master of arts degree in mathematical economics from the University of Maryland in 1998. In addition, Basu received a juris doctor degree from the University of Maryland School of Law in 2003, and is a member of the Maryland bar.

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