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and resorts, including Hotel Contessa on the San Antonio River Walk. Its revenues reflect the combined revenue of all the properties it manages.

Cabañas expects the combined company to increase its revenue 30 percent to 40 percent this year as it has a number of projects under construction or being renovated. It's also involved in new development.

It will manage a 250-room hotel and conference center that is being built across the street from Kyle Field at Texas A&M University. As an Aggie, Cabañas is excited to be part of the project.

"It's been a great opportunity for us," he said. "We've been working on it for a couple years."

Benchmark also will operate the Delta by Marriott Hotel and Watters Creek Convention Center being built in Allen, near Dallas. The full-service hotel and convention center is scheduled to open in late 2018.

Cabañas said the convention center will feature more open floor plans, natural lighting, outdoor space and living-room type seating.

"Our joke in the company is no one wants to meet in beige ballrooms anymore," he said.

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Crane Worldwide Logistics workers build shipping containers. Crane opened in 2008 to help companies move cargo via land, seas and skies.

Rank	Company	Business	2016 revenue in millions	Total employees	Houston area employees	Year founded	Top executive(s)
51	Century A/C Supply	HVAC wholesale distributor	\$164.1	280	150	1973	Dennis Bearden, Rick Luke
52	Effex Management Solutions	Staffing and contingent workforce management solutions	159.3	6,000	232	2007	Louis Flory
53	Accent Family of Cos.	North American provider of baling wire and wire tier technology	147	177	103	1986	Bill Sims
54	W. S. Bellows Construction Corp.	Houston-area commercial general contractor	143.7	262	260	1914	Laura Bellows
55	Schulte Building Systems	Metal building manufacturer	135	561	323	2005	Fred Koetting
56	Cherry Companies	Recycling and demolition company, handling the removal of all types of structures	132	255	255	1952	Leonard Cherry
57	Wortham Insurance & Risk Management	Insurance brokerage	128	535	266	1915	Richard Blades
58	LJA Engineering	Engineering for land development, public infrastructure, energy, environmental, rail services and other sectors	122	650	418	1972	Calvin T. Ladner
59	Brookstone	General contractor and construction manager	117.7	65	65	1963	Steve Dishman
60	Wave Electronics	Audio-video security distributor	108	135	50	2002	Gary Wermuth
61	The Plaza Group	International petrochemical marketing	106	20	15	1994	Randy Velarde
62	The Lewis Group	Quick-service restaurants, gasoline retailer, fuel wholesaler	104.4	996	996	2002	Sherman Lewis III
63	McCoy-Rockford	Commercial interiors product distributor and service provider in Austin and Houston	102	275	205	1972	Ken Beaver
64	Seitel	Onshore seismic data provider to oil and gas industry in North America	94.5	82	67	1982	Robert D. Monson
65	Walter P Moore	Engineering services including structural, diagnostics, civil, traffic, parking, transportation and construction	92	610	213	1931	Dilip Choudhuri
66	Ranger Steel	Steel plate distributor	90	23	20	1958	Ron Whitley
67	Alpheus Communications	Provider of fiber networks, Internet, voice and data center colocation services	85	150	110	2001	Scott Widham
68	Sprint Industrial Holdings	Rental of industrial containment and safety equipment to the petrochemical and refinery markets	83	375	275	2007	Sandra Scott
69	Single Point Carrier Services	Third-party logistics	80	24	22	2007	Tim Leopold
70	Jones Carter	Full-service engineering firm	74.4	440	350	1976	Robert L. Aylward
71	Bel Furniture	Retail furniture store	74	268	215	2000	Sid Mollai
72	Piping Technology & Products	Piping products; subsidiaries include U.S. Bellows, Sweco Fab, Pipe Shields and Fronek Anchor/Darling Enterprises	69	700	700	1978	Durga Agrawal
73	Visible Changes	Hair salons throughout Texas	60	710	520	1977	Johnny McCormack
74	Trendsetter Engineering	Provider of specialized subsea solutions for oil and gas companies worldwide	53.9	146	143	1996	Mario Lugo
75	Land Tejas	Developer of more 20 communities in the Houston area	40.5	22	22	1997	Jennifer Keller

Note: Revenue for Benchmark reflects combined revenue of all properties managed.

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