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ON THE CONCRETE SCENE

STATE ASSOCIATION WINS NATIONAL AWARD

Connecticut Ready Mixed Concrete Association and its division—the Connecticut Concrete Promotion Council—have been selected by the National Ready-Mixed Concrete Association as the State Association of the Year for 2007.



L-R: Presenter Stephen Thomas, Ric Suzio, Don Penepent, Don Shubert and Jim Langlois.

Ric Suzio, Don Penepent, Don Shubert and Jim Langlois attended the NRMCA Annual Convention, in Las Vegas on March 8-10, 2008 to receive the award.

The State Association of the Year award honors the association for their contributions to the industry in the areas of research, education, advocacy and promotion. Highlights of 2007 that contributed to the selection were the Insulated Concrete Form home that was the featured home for the Hartford County Home Builders Association's annual Home Show, the revision of CT DOT concrete specifications, CONNDOT maturity meter testing for concrete and educational programs for its members, concrete users and specifiers.

Mr. Stephen Thomas, Chairman of the Construction Industry Alliance Committee, made the presentation. Mr. Thomas reported, "Having such outstanding programs and products being created at the state and local levels, tied together with the partnership of the NRMCA in the distribution of nationally-created programs means the best of both worlds for our members."

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

PLEASED TO PRESENT OUR NEW LOOK!

The Connecticut Concrete Promotion Council welcomes you to our newly designed *Concrete Times* newsletter. The Connecticut Concrete Promotion Council was the recipient of the 2007 Association of the Year Award from the National Ready Mixed Concrete Association. The award symbolized the promotion effort accomplished by all its members in many promotion fields, not the least of which, energy, government standards, and LEED construction. This award is the highlight of our initial redesigned newsletter format that will introduce the CCPC efforts to a wider audience in the design and construction fields. We will focus on concrete related topics and the new technology that has impacted the way concrete is looked at as a "GREEN BUILDING MATERIAL." Ann Beaudin and Andrea Beaudin, creators of our new *Concrete Times* look, will assist me in this ambitious endeavor. I look forward to telling the concrete story to the Connecticut marketplace and introducing the CCPC.

All the Best,

Jim Langlois
Jim Langlois



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FOR THE RECORD



AT THE CAPITOL

from Matthew Hallisey - CCIA
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SIGNED AND SEALED, CONNECTICUT awaits the delivery of its portion of the federal economic stimulus plan. Connecticut should be receiving \$302.1 million for highway and bridge projects, and priority will be given to projects that can be completed in 3 years.

The state has 120 days to obligate half of its surface transportation allocation—\$151 million. Connecticut's water infrastructure will receive \$48 million in capitalization grants to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund; priority will be given to projects that can begin within the next 12 months

To purchase buses and equipment to improve intermodal and transit facilities, the state has been allocated \$105 million, while we are expecting \$32 million to repair and upgrade our transit systems.

STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS

PROFESSIONAL SEMINARS & EVENTS!

- AMERICAN CONCRETE INSTITUTE (ACI) Flatwork Finishers Certification March 25, 28
- AMERICAN CONCRETE INSTITUTE (ACI) Field Tech Certification May 7 and 9
- AMERICAN CONCRETE INSTITUTE (ACI) Field Tech Certification September 17, 19, 24, 26
- AMERICAN CONCRETE INSTITUTE (ACI) Field Tech Certification October 29, 31, and November 5, 7

To register, call Jim Langlois: 860-529-6855 or email jlanglois@ctconstruction.org

NOTE: CCPC is an approved sponsor of the Pervious Concrete Contractor Certification Program. Discover how you can become a certified Technician, Installer, or Craftsmen. Call Jim Langlois at CCPC 860-529-2618.

CCPC KUDOS

PERVIOUS CONCRETE —AN ANSWER TO STORMWATER RUNOFF

From Jim Langlois, CCPC



Pervious concrete has been introduced to the United States in many warm climate areas as a solution to stormwater runoff. DEP's Inland-Wetland agencies and designers have been anxious to learn the intricacies of using pervious in their design of stormwater runoff. The northern climates have begun to embrace pervious as a solution as well.

The University of New Hampshire Stormwater Center has built a pervious parking lot for runoff studies. This Center is a melting pot for DEP's throughout New England and Connecticut is no exception. The interest being generated throughout the design community for pervious has reached a level that the concrete industry never imagined.

NRMCA-REGIONAL PROMOTION

From Douglas O'Neill, LEED® AP
 National Resource Director
 National Ready Mixed Concrete Association

Despite the grim economic news coming from Washington and Wall Street, NRMCA is continuing its efforts to affect the decisions of developers and designers nationwide. NRMCA's national account focus has made progress with companies like Stantec, Terracon, CVS, Regency Centers, Aldi Foods, The GSA and the Department of Defense. Another area of success comes through educational seminars and webinars intended specifically for the design community.

In this environmentally conscience marketplace, concrete offers tremendous advantages over other building materials which are being highlighted in the many offerings from NRMCA.

To learn more go to www.nrmca.org and click on Training and Education.

SETTING NEW SITES

DEMAND DRIVING THE GROWTH OF TILT-UP CONSTRUCTION

Bigger, better, faster for less money is the current mantra of our society. The construction trade is no different and it is why the demand for tilt-up construction is growing in New England.

Tilt-Up is the fastest form of construction from conception to completion. It is cost effective due to a lower initial costs, lower maintenance costs (less joints than masonry or precast), lower energy costs and lower financing costs due to the compressed schedule. All these factors coupled with the durability and sustainability of concrete due to the regionally manufactured materials, recycled products and supplementary cementitious materials make tilt-up concrete an obvious choice.

Architects and designers are embracing tilt-up thanks to advancements in products being made available; thin brick, integrally insulated sandwich panels and a plethora of reveal options and coatings that make the sky the limit with tilt-up designs. Educational and religious facilities are embracing tilt-up as it allows the facilities take on a sense of community and become breath taking historical landmarks with life spans of 150 years or more.

For more information on tilt-up concrete, please feel free to contact; Kimberly Corwin, Business Development Manager at AH Harris and Sons, kim.corwin@ahharris.com or visit our web site at www.ahharris.com or the Tilt-Up Concrete Association, www.tilt-up.org.



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From Heather Steffek, LEED® AP
 PCA-Northeast Cement Shippers Association

Effective January 1, 2009, NECSA (Northeast Cement Shippers Association) has integrated with PCA (Portland Cement Association). The merge will align promotion efforts on a national, regional and local scale. It should not effect the CCPC or any other local promotion partner with their promotion efforts or the NECSA investment they receive, with the exception of greater accountability and the expectation of a greater return on investment.

Also, the investment package deadline and investment review dates have been moved to accommodate PCA meetings and deadlines. The investment request package is now due on June 1, 2009 and the investment review in Albany will be on June 16 & 17, 2009.