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**Paul Blair Named New Chief Financial Officer of the Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute**

**CHICAGO—April 13, 2016—**The Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute (PCI) has named Paul Blair its new chief financial officer. Blair has more than 20 years of financial management experience in the nonprofit sector as well as the corporate world. Prior to joining PCI, he was the director of finance for the Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals (CSCMP) in Lombard, Ill.

“Paul brings a wealth of financial experience in the nonprofit sector to PCI,” said Bob Risser, PCI’s president and chief executive officer. “His impressive management and strategic skills will help lead PCI into the forefront of professional organizations. With Paul at the helm of the finance department, I’m confident that we’ll be well positioned to meet our goals moving forward. We welcome him to our team and look forward to his contributions.”

At CSCMP, Blair was responsible for the organization’s overall financial strategy, including cost management, cash flow analysis, and balance sheet optimization. He oversaw finance, treasury management, investment portfolio analysis, procurement, external audit, and risk management, and was responsible for the organization’s corporate finance strategy function. Prior to his roles at CSCMP, he held various positions of increasing responsibility in finance at The Salvation Army and served as LSG SkyChefs’ controller in Chicago. He received his bachelor’s degree in business administration from Lawrence Technological University.

“I am thrilled to be part of the PCI team,” Blair said. “My entire career has been spent in the finance industry and I am excited to begin a new challenge at PCI. I am fortunate to be joining such a respected organization that prides itself on top quality service.”

**About PCI**

Founded in 1954, The Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute (PCI) is the technical institute for the precast concrete structures industry. PCI develops, maintains, and disseminates the body of knowledge for designing, fabricating, and constructing precast concrete structures. PCI provides technical resources, certification for companies and individuals, continuing education, as well as conducts research and development projects, conventions, conferences, awards programs and much more.

PCI members include precast concrete manufacturers, companies that provide products and services to the industry, precast concrete erectors, and individual members such as architects, consultants, contractors, developers, educators, engineers, materials suppliers, service providers, and students.

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