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**Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute Hires Edith Smith as Manager of Codes and Standards**

CHICAGO, August 15, 2018 – The Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute (PCI) announces it has hired Edith Smith as its new Manager of Codes and Standards. Before joining PCI, Smith had been Senior Design Engineer with Gage Brothers, a precast concrete producer in Sioux Falls, S.D.

Smith’s main focus will be on developing and implementing the PCI design specification to be adopted by the International Building Code in accordance with PCI’s Strategic Plan. This will include working with PCI volunteers and consultants to manage standards development and updates. She will also review technical papers and committee work. “I am looking forward to joining PCI’s team and working with all of our members to advance the precast/prestressed concrete industry,” Smith said.

Throughout her career, Smith has been actively involved in PCI committees on Parking Structures (secretary), Connections, Seismic, LPCI, and Membership. She has been a driving force behind the Women in PCI events and participated in the inaugural class of Leadership PCI in 2005. Smith holds a Structural Design and Construction Engineering Technology degree from Pennsylvania State University and is a registered professional engineer in nine states.

“We look forward to having Edith as a valuable member of the PCI team,” said Roger Becker, PCI’s vice president of technical services. “Her experience in designing prestressed concrete is ideal for the important work of codes and standards.”

**About PCI**

Founded in 1954, The Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute (PCI) is a technical institute for the precast concrete structures industry. PCI develops, maintains, and disseminates the body of knowledge for designing, fabricating, and constructing precast 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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