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## **For Immediate Release**

## **High Concrete Introduces Thinnest Precast Concrete Panel Available**

CHICAGO, July 13, 2020 – High Concrete Group LLC, a member of the Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute, has introduced ThinCast<sup>™</sup>, the thinnest precast concrete rainscreen panel available on the market. Designed for use in commercial, institutional, retail, and low- to high-rise construction, ThinCast<sup>™</sup> provides architects with the natural beauty and character of concrete in lightweight panels that accomplish their rainscreen design goals.

"ThinCast allows rainscreen panels to showcase the iconic surface of real concrete," said High Concrete Group President J. Seroky. "Rainscreens are in demand and this product was created to meet a need that designers expressed to us." Seroky expects the rainscreen cladding market to grow by more than six percent annually through 2024.

The panels are available is six sizes and eight colors. They are three-quarters of an inch thick and weigh about 10 pounds per square foot. The panels utilize a high-performance concrete mix and further increase strength and durability by using corrosion-resistant stainless steel prestressing wires. ThinCast<sup>TM</sup> meets applicable building codes and standards for rainscreen applications when properly installed on commercially available bracket systems.

The product is ideal for commercial, health care, higher education, residential, and retail storefront projects. ThinCast<sup>TM</sup> is targeted not only for new construction, renovations, retrofits, and recladding of buildings east of the Mississippi River.

## **About High Concrete**

High Concrete is a leading producer of architectural and structural wall panels, and the nation's largest producer of precast concrete parking structures. It has provided structure and enclosure systems, components, and accessories for virtually every kind of project, tincluding corporate, cultural, government, educational, institutional, and multi-unit residential buildings, sports stadiums and arenas, retail, industrial, correctional facilities, and ware-house structures including some exceptionally complex buildings trusted to our precast co.

High also produces bridges and bridge components offered by the High Bridge Team, a partnership between High Steel Structures Inc. and High Concrete Group LLC. Visit <u>highconcrete.com</u>.

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