

Thermomass® Announces New Hire and Promotion

BOONE, IOWA



– Miguel Branco

Thermomass®, a manufacturer of concrete building insulation systems, announced Miguel Branco has joined the company as a structural engineer and will provide technical support for overseas sales.

Additionally, Garrett Burkhart has been promoted to Product Development Technician. Burkhart will have the primary responsibility of overseeing the areas of product development. He will also head endeavors in research, development and testing.

Submit your headline news for consideration in a future issue of *Ascent* to Whitney Stephens at wstephens@pci.org.

MidState Precast L.P. Awarded Contract for the 710 Highway Precast Concrete Replacement Project

CORCORAN, CALIFORNIA

Schmick/Meyers and Sons JV has awarded **MidState Precast L.P.** the contract for the 710 Highway Precast Concrete Replacement project the scope of work includes producing 4,123 precast/prestressed concrete pavement (PPCP) panels for a total of 831,000 square feet and 27,000 cubic yards of concrete.

Set upon fully engineered subgrade surfaces, the panels are interlocking through post-tensioning and grouting. This system allows for continuous and intermittent replacement of the previously existing pavement, which speeds up the erection schedule. Combining shorter construction duration with the longevity of precast concrete allows for the highway replacement to be cost effective for Caltrans and the tax payers of California with minimum impact to traffic congestion. To date, this is the largest precast pavement replacement in the United States. Precast work is expected to be completed in September 2014.

California ISO Headquarters Wins National Award from the Design Build Institute of America

CORCORAN, CALIFORNIA

The **California ISO Headquarters** project received a National Design-Build Award for best office building. The 278,000-square-foot facility is comprised of three distinct wings – public, office and mission critical – each created with a different structural system. Through early collaboration and a phased permitting process, the team reached substantial completion nearly three months ahead of schedule – just 21 months after the Notice to Proceed. MidState Precast, L.P. was the precaster for the project. This project also won a 2012 PCI Design Award.

Clark Pacific Expands Its Structural Precast Concrete Offerings

WEST SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

Clark Pacific, a supplier of architectural and structural precast concrete solutions, has completed the acquisition of the California assets of Hanson Structural Precast, a division of Hanson Building Products North America, part of Lehigh Hanson, Inc. and the HeidelbergCement Group.

The assets acquired include an 80-acre industrial-zoned property in Adelanto, Calif. and the existing plant operations in Irwindale, Calif. The Irwindale facility, in continuous operation since 1968, will become Clark Pacific's fourth precast concrete production facility in California. The acquisition will expand the company's overall manufacturing capacity and it will significantly enhance its structural precast concrete product offerings for the Southern California and Nevada construction markets, particularly for parking structures and office buildings.

Spillman Company Now Represents Teksam in U.S. and Canada

COLUMBUS, OHIO

Spillman Company now represents Teksam as a sales agent in the U.S. and Canada (except for the province of Quebec). Founded in 1979 in Hantsholm, Denmark as an engineering company, Teksam supplies machinery and technology to the precast concrete industry worldwide.

Concrete Industry Management Program Seeks Donations for World of Concrete Auction

LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

The **Concrete Industry Management** (CIM) program – a business intensive program that awards students with a four-year Bachelor of Science degree in Concrete Industry Management – is seeking donations for their eighth annual auction to be held at the World of Concrete. The auction is scheduled for Wednesday, February 6 at the Las Vegas Convention Center. The silent auction will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the live auction begins at 1 p.m.

The money raised will benefit the NSC and support the CIM programs at Middle Tennessee State University, Arizona State University, New Jersey Institute of Technology, Texas State University and the California State University - Chico. The 2012 auction raised over \$617,750.

Those interested in making a donation should contact CIM Auction Committee Chairman Michael Philipps at (713) 722-2969.

Free Exhibits-only Registration to the World of Concrete

LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

PCI is offering free exhibits-only registration for the **2013 World of Concrete**, taking place February 4 – 8 in Las Vegas. The World of Concrete is an annual international event dedicated to the commercial concrete and masonry construction industries. Use the code A34 when registering online for free registration compliments of PCI. Additionally, make sure to stop by our booth, #N337, while at the event.

Spancrete® Hires Scott Galke as Director of Operations in Valders

WAUKESHA, WISCONSIN



– Scott Galke

Scott Galke is now the director of operations for **Spancrete's** Valders, Wisconsin plant.

Galke recently served as the director of operations at Metromont Precast in Greenville, S.C. Prior to his tenure at Metromont, Galke was the operations manager at Shockey Precast Company in Virginia and also held other general manager roles.

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- Advanced Cast Stone (Random Lake, WI)
- Enterprise Precast, Inc. (Omaha, NE)
- High Concrete Group LLC (Denver, PA)
- Walters & Wolf Precast (Fremont, CA)



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