

## FROM PCI HEADQUARTERS

### New staff accountant joins the PCI team

PCI has hired Eve Bello as its new staff accountant. In this role, Bello will be responsible for preparing and maintaining financial reports; creating monthly financial statements; assisting in budget preparation and management; tracking the PCI Foundation's donations, grants, and other funding sources; and providing support to the financial department as needed. She will be interacting with members through donation tracking, cash receipts, and credit card payments.

Bello started her role in May and brings a variety of experience to the organization. She previously worked for a not-for-profit organization focused on the reentry population, where she held roles in bookkeeping and data entry. This experience gave her hands-on exposure to managing financial records and transactions, handling sensitive data with accuracy and confidentiality, and supporting mission-driven operations.

Bello holds an MBA in finance from the National Institute of Management in New Delhi, India, and a bachelor's degree from the West African University GASA Formation in Cotonou, Benin.



Eve Bello

### Update issued for strand bond recommended practice

The "Recommended Practice to Assess and Control Strand/Concrete Bonding Properties of ASTM A416 Prestressing Strand" published in the January–February 2025 issue of *PCI Journal*, which is available at <https://doi.org/10.15554/pcij70.1-03>, has been corrected and amended as follows:

- On page 23, Brent Koch, Frank Russo, and Lee Wegner have been added to the fast team list.
- On page 27, a parenthetical statement has been added to section 5.1.3 for clarity.
- On page 28, the variable  $L_d$  in Fig. 5.2.1.3 has been changed to  $L_b$ .
- On page 30, wording in section 5.2.2.8 regarding required accuracy has been clarified.
- On page 35, two numerical values in Example 1 have been corrected.
- On page 36, a portion of the logic in Example 2 has been replaced.

An updated version of this recommended practice is available through the PCI bookstore at <https://doi.org/10.15554/pci.RP-154-25>.

### PCI launches new job posting portal for members

PCI has launched a new portal to submit and manage open precast and precast, prestressed concrete industry job positions. This redeveloped tool is now an exclusive PCI Member benefit. To post a job, visit [https://www.pci.org/PCI/News-Events/Precast\\_Careers/Job-Posting-Dashboard.aspx?](https://www.pci.org/PCI/News-Events/Precast_Careers/Job-Posting-Dashboard.aspx?). Job postings remain available for the public to view.

## CALL FOR PCI DESIGN PRECAST ENTRIES

The PCI Design Precast Competition challenges students to explore innovative uses of architectural precast concrete enclosure systems in structural, sustainable, and artistic ways by developing a design based on the instructions given in the competition details, which are available at <https://www.pci.org/archcomp>. Individual students or groups of no more than three students shall

present their designs in the form of elevations and three-dimensional building information modeling. It is encouraged to work with a local PCI-certified producer to learn about the design assist method and to understand the production process for precast concrete and the colors and textures needed to complete the design. Applications for the Fall 2025 semester are due November 7, 2025.

## PCI's CALENDAR

### Events

PCI event details are subject to change. For the most current information, visit <https://www.pci.org/events>.

<b>PCI Northeast Fall Meeting</b> Lake Placid, N.Y.	September 3-5, 2025
<b>2025 PCI Committee Days Conference</b> Loews Chicago O'Hare, Rosemont, Ill.	September 16-20, 2025
<b>Architectural Precast Production Workshop</b> Hyatt Regency Sacramento, Sacramento, Calif.	October 14-16, 2025
<b>Precast Concrete Manufacturers Association Fall Meeting</b> Location TBD	October 16-18, 2025
<b>PCI Midwest Fall Meeting</b> Location TBD	October 28-30, 2025
<b>PCI Marketing and Sales School 2.0</b> Rosemont, Ill.	November 6-7, 2025
<b>Leadership PCI Fall Bootcamp</b> Cambria Hotel, Austin, Tex.	November 12-14, 2025
<b>PCI Gulf South Winter Meeting</b> Biloxi, Miss.	November 18-19, 2025
<b>2026 PCI West Annual Board Meeting</b> Las Vegas, Nev.	January 21, 2026
<b>2026 PCI Convention at the Precast Show</b> Loews Kansas City, Kansas City, Mo.	February 2-6, 2026
<b>2026 PCI Mid-Atlantic Winter Membership Meeting</b> Location TBD	March 5-6, 2026
<b>2026 PCI Gulf South Spring Meeting</b> Lake Charles, La.	April 7-8, 2026
<b>2026 PCI West Summer Board Meeting</b> Woodland, Calif.	May 20, 2026
<b>2026 Precast Concrete Manufacturers Association Summer Meeting</b> Hilton Head Island, S.C.	May 28-30, 2026

## PCI personnel training and certification schools

Quality Control School event details are subject to change. If you have any questions about the Quality Control School schedule or need help completing a registration form, please contact PCI's continuing education coordinator, [education@pci.org](mailto:education@pci.org). Registration forms are available at [https://www.pci.org/qc\\_schools](https://www.pci.org/qc_schools).

<b>Levels I and II</b>	October 22-24, 2025 November 12-14, 2025 November 17-20, 2025	Nashville, Tenn. Salt Lake City, Utah online
<b>Level III</b>	October 21-24, 2025 November 11-14, 2025 December 8-11, 2025	Nashville, Tenn. Salt Lake City, Utah online
<b>PCI Proctored Exam Session</b>	October 24, 2025	Nashville, Tenn.

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