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FROM THE CHAIR



The strength behind what we build

As we move into the next season of PCI's work, I am reminded that our strength as an organization comes from the people, systems, and shared commitments that support us. PCI Committee Days is one of the clearest examples of that strength in action. Each year, members come together to exchange ideas, challenge assumptions, share expertise, and help shape PCI's direction. The conversations and decisions from that time extend well beyond the meetings themselves.

Our search for PCI's next CEO continues to move forward with strong momentum. With the assistance of our executive search firm, more than 300 candidates have been reviewed as part of a thoughtful and disciplined process. We expect to identify a short list of candidates by the end of September, with the goal of selecting PCI's next CEO by the end of November. This is important work, and we are committed to conducting the search in a way that reflects both the significance of the role and the future needs of our organization.

We are also making meaningful progress on the update to PCI's strategic plan. This work will provide focus and clarity for the years ahead while remaining grounded in PCI's core purpose: to grow and preserve our body of knowledge. Other key priorities include education, certification, market share growth, support for the business success of our members, and governance. Together, these areas will help guide our efforts and ensure that PCI continues to serve the industry with relevance and impact.

This issue of *PCI Journal* highlights ultra-high-performance concrete, a durable option that delivers strength, efficiency, and resilience. You might not be able to tell the difference between ultra-high-performance concrete and conventional concrete just by looking at a component, but the difference in performance shows through over time.

The same is true of PCI. Much of what makes our organization strong happens behind the scenes. The dedication of our committees, chapters, producers, associates, partners, and individual members may not always be visible, but it provides the strength and stability that allow PCI to serve our members and advance the industry.

As I've connected with many of you over the past several months, I continue to be encouraged by the level of engagement across our membership. There is real energy around developing the next generation of leaders, expanding our reach, and supporting one another in a changing environment. That kind of commitment keeps PCI moving forward.

Thank you for the role each of you plays in strengthening PCI and our industry. I look forward to seeing many of you soon and continuing the work ahead together. [J](#)



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