Appleton Road (STH 47) Interchange Reconstruction Wins
National Excellence in Concrete Pavement Award

Madison, WI. (December 19, 2016) – The American Concrete Pavement Association (ACPA) has named recipients of its 27th Annual “Excellence in Concrete Pavements” awards, which recognize quality concrete pavements constructed in the United States and Canada.

The awards program encourages high-quality workmanship in concrete pavement projects, and serves as way to share information about challenging and highly successful projects. Projects are evaluated and voted on by judges from across the country and represent various stakeholder groups in the transportation-construction community. The program recognizes contractors, engineers, and project owners who completed outstanding projects.

The awards fall into 13 categories applicable to construction and preservation of highways, roadways, airports, and industrial pavement facilities. The program requires projects to be completed in the calendar year prior to judging (2015).

The reconstruction of the Appleton Road (STH47) and Interstate 41 Interchange in Appleton, Wisconsin received the Silver Award in the Category of Municipal Streets and Intersections (>30,000 SY) . The award ceremony was held on December 2, 2016 at the 53rd Annual Meeting of the ACPA in Austin, Texas. “This was a very complex paving project with very firm construction deadlines in order to minimize the impacts to the residents of the City of Appleton and Menasha and the adjacent businesses. The Vinton Construction Company, OMNNI Associates and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation’s Northeast Region should all be congratulated for delivering this project on time and with excellent quality construction””, said Kevin McMullen, President of the Wisconsin Concrete Pavement Association. “WCPA was honored to join the Vinton Construction and OMNNI to accept the award on behalf of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation who could not attend the award ceremony in Texas. We look forward to honoring the entire project team in the very near future”, he further added.

Highlights from the ACPA press release on the project are as follows:
**Municipal Streets & Intersections (>30,000 SY)**

*(Silver Award)* Appleton Road (STH 47) Interchange, City of Appleton, City of Menasha, and Winnebago County, Wis.

Contractor: Vinton Construction Company

Owner/Engineer: Wisconsin DOT, NE Region

Engineer: OMNNI Associates

Appleton Road carries 19,000 vehicles per day through the cities of Appleton and Menasha. This 34,000 square yard concrete paving project included urban reconstruction through a major interchange with bridge widening and ramp reconstruction. The project had to be completed in a maximum of 75 calendar days.

Vinton Construction coordinated with their 12 sub-contractors to complete the 370 individual bid items that also included 83,000 cubic yards of excavation; 6,600 linear feet of storm sewer; 85,000 tons of aggregate; 17,000 linear feet of curb and gutter; and 47,000 square feet of concrete sidewalk. The project also called for colored concrete crosswalks and intersection bump-out construction.

Throughout construction, full access across Appleton Road was required through two intersections along with significant pedestrian accommodations to the more than 30 businesses along the route.

Through excellent coordination, long hours, several around the clock operations, and limited space between multiple crews, this nearly $10 million project was completed in 74 days, one day ahead of schedule.

**About the Excellence Awards**

This year the awards represent 13 categories of construction and preservation of concrete pavements used for highways, roadways, airports, and industrial pavement facilities. In all, 31 awards were presented to 25 contractors.

The ACPA Excellence in Concrete Pavements awards are made possible, in large measure, because of the generous time commitment of independent judges from across the United States and Canada. The judges each spend many hours reviewing executive summaries, project details, photographs, and other details and aspects of
ACPA presents awards in both gold and silver levels. Judging is based on a point system, with independent judges awarding points for quality construction, addressing unique and unusual challenges, innovation, traffic management, and other criteria. In the case of ties, award judges present awards to co-winners.

About the ACPA and WCPA
The ACPA is the national trade association for the concrete pavement industry. The Wisconsin Concrete Pavement Association (WCPA) is ACPA’s local affiliated organization. ACPA and WCPA represent members in marketing/promotion, government affairs, and research/technical support associated with concrete pavements used for highways, airports, streets, and roads.

ACPA’s and WCPA’s members include paving contractors, cement companies, equipment manufacturers, material and service suppliers, ready-mixed concrete producers, allied associations/organizations, bonding and insurance companies, consulting firms, and other allied organizations and individuals.


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High resolution photos of award winners and projects are available on request.