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Sika Opens New Concrete Admixtures Plant in Virginia

By opening a new concrete admixture production facility in Stafford, VA, USA, Sika has further expanded its production capacity in the growing mid-Atlantic construction market. The opening of the new facility is Sika's response to high demand in the region and to optimize logistics, shorten transportation routes for raw materials and finished goods, and reduce CO₂ emissions.

The 42,600 ft² (3900 m²) production facility is capable of supplying Sika's full range of concrete admixtures. With a capacity of 50,000 tons (45,400 tonnes) per year and two mixers with a capacity of more than 6000 gal. (22,700 L) each, the facility will increase production and help Sika grow into the future.



The new Sika facility in Stafford, VA

B2W Software Announces New B2W Employee App

B2W Software unveiled a new application for tracking labor hours, productivity, and equipment use of individual employees. The B2W Employee app complements the ONE Platform, providing contractors with a unified solution for recording and analyzing performance data from an individual as well as crew-based employees.

Additional 2021 ONE Platform developments noted by Paul McKeon, Founder and CEO of B2W Software, included new application programming interfaces (APIs) for estimating and equipment maintenance workflows, enhancements to change order management capabilities, and expanded visibility options for resource scheduling and dispatching.

Envista Forensics Launches Construction Consulting Practice in Sydney

Envista has been a part of forensic construction consulting for decades, including well-known industry experts across the globe. With the addition of a construction consulting practice in Syndey, NSW, Australia, Envista aims to round out its suite of services to better meet the growing demand, especially with weather-related incidents. The new practice is a strategic complement to the work Envista does for its clients on the failure analysis side of the industry. Mark Williamson, Managing Director, Construction Services, will be leading the practice.

Fugro Helps Engineers Design Sustainable Transportation Infrastructure in Texas

Fugro completed a year-long geotechnical investigation for infrastructure solutions firm HNTB to support the safe design of a new light rail transit tunnel in downtown Austin, TX, USA. The tunnel is a key part of HNTB's work for the Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority (CapMetro), Austin Transit Partnership (ATP), and the City of Austin on the larger Blue Line Corridor project, which aims to ease traffic congestion and support sustainable population and economic growth in the city.

To understand and mitigate potential ground risk in the tunnel design, Fugro characterized the site's soil structure using a variety of geotechnical and geophysical methods. These included acquiring, sampling, imaging, and testing geotechnical borings; installing groundwater monitoring wells; and performing specialized laboratory testing on selected rock samples.

Minnich CSV Acknowledged as a 2022 Concrete Contractor Top Products Award Winner

The Minnich Manufacturing Control Speed Vibrator (CSV) has been named a 2022 *Concrete Contractor* Top Products award winner. The 2022 *Concrete Contractor* Top Products award represents the concrete industry's best products gaining interest from end users and concrete professionals alike. Winners were chosen by *Concrete Contractor*'s editorial team based on several different factors, including innovation, dependability, and audience engagement on the publication's website.

The CSV was introduced to the marketplace at World of Concrete 2022, offering concrete contractors and paving superintendents an innovative solution to help reduce surface blemishes and lessen material separation.



The Minnich Manufacturing Control Speed Vibrator

Stanley Consultants Acquires Resilient Analytics

Global consulting engineering firm Stanley Consultants announced that it has acquired Resilient Analytics (RA). Based in Boulder, CO, USA, RA is a global provider in the analysis and application of climate science to the built and natural environment. In alignment with its strategic plan, the acquisition adds specialist adaptation and resiliency capabilities, services, and technologies to Stanley's current service offerings. It also underpins the firm's commitment to providing data-driven environmental, social, and governance insights; reporting; and solutions to its customers and partners.

Steelike, Inc., Achieves \$3 Million Dollar Funding Round

Steelike, Inc., creator and supplier of Steelike® Ultra-High-Performance Concrete (UHPC), announced that it raised \$3 million in a second investment round. In addition, Steelike secured a substantial credit facility, enhancing its ability to support large projects.

Founded in 2010, Steelike, Inc., has produced and supplied



The Steelike SUPA mixer able to pump Steelike UHPC

Steelike UHPC for construction projects commercially since 2014. Steelike UHPC has been used in a wide variety of bridge applications, including bridge deck overlays, link slabs, bridge deck expansion joint headers, precast UHPC girders, steel column and stringer repairs, and connections between precast panels, girders, diaphragms, and piers.

