

## BCMI Doubles Cloud-Based Dispatch Footprint

BCMI Corp. more than doubled its cloud-based ready mixed dispatch footprint across the United States in 2024. Several companies have adopted BCMI's cloud-based system, including Smith Ready Mix, Inc.; Miles Sand & Gravel Company; Geneva Rock Products and Sunroc Corporation (both Clyde Companies, Inc., subsidiaries); BARD Materials; and GCC. These producers and others have added BCMI's dispatch as part of the end-to-end software platform that includes extensive operational and customer key performance indicators (KPIs), quoting and sales tools, and customer invoicing.

Implementations are ongoing for large vertical materials producers Irving Materials, Inc. (imi) and Titan America, as well as regional ready mixed companies Consumers Concrete Corporation and Zignego Group. Developed using current technology, BCMI integrates with related systems, such as truck global positioning systems (GPS) and accounting programs, through application programming interface (API) connections entirely in the cloud. This allows materials producers to choose their own solution set to meet their business needs.



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## Saint-Gobain Acquires Maturix

Saint-Gobain acquired Denmark-based Maturix as the next step in the expansion of its digital construction chemicals platform. Maturix offers wireless sensor technology which allows remote, real-time monitoring of concrete properties during the curing and hardening process, enabling contractors to optimize their operations and ease traceability requirements. This can reduce the duration of the concrete construction cycle by up to 50% and improves jobsite efficiency, while improving concrete quality and structural performance. Maturix and Saint-Gobain have collaborated since 2019. This acquisition enhances Saint-Gobain's digital solutions offerings across the concrete and cement value chains, helping customers reduce overdesign and optimize operations. Maturix complements Saint-Gobain's digital in-transit concrete management suite, Verifi®, in optimizing concrete placement on site. The two companies are working on a joint offering.

## Acumatica Teams Up with JobPlanner and STACK to Deliver End-to-End Construction Project Life-Cycle Support

Acumatica, Inc., announced strategic partnerships and product integration with JobPlanner, a collaborative project management solution, and STACK Construction Technologies, a cloud-based construction software platform, to address market needs through productivity gains and enhanced end-to-end project life-cycle support.

Acumatica Construction Edition, the company's most widely adopted Industry Edition, was recognized as one of the Top Construction Technology Firms by *Construction Executive*. Acumatica engineered its construction solution for scalability and usability to provide tailored solutions for construction firms. JobPlanner is a project management solution designed for collaboration between general contractors, subcontractors, and vendors. Featuring job costing and bid management capabilities, it helps construction teams to manage budgets, track expenses, and facilitate bidding processes. JobPlanner's user-friendly interface and native mobile app complement Acumatica's construction solution, connecting the back office to field workers for improved efficiency. STACK offers a preconstruction platform to help contractors drive growth and boost profitability through hyper-accurate takeoffs and customizable estimates. By integrating STACK's takeoff and estimating capabilities, Acumatica's Construction Edition enables contractors to efficiently calculate labor and material requirements while accurately forecasting project costs.

## Cemen Tech Partners with McCoy Construction

Cemen Tech Inc. announced a new partnership with McCoy Construction & Forestry Inc., a construction and forestry equipment dealer, to expand access to Cemen Tech's concrete product solutions across Tennessee, Kentucky, Indiana, and Illinois in the United States. This collaboration brings Cemen Tech's volumetric technology closer to contractors, offering support throughout the region. Cemen Tech's volumetric mixers allow contractors to produce concrete fresh, on-site, and tailored to project needs, without



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requiring return trips to batch plants. This flexibility enables contractors to adjust mixture designs on demand. McCoy Construction & Forestry will support the partnership with a team providing field service, preventative maintenance, and emergency repairs. McCoy's service technicians and stocked parts inventory help ensure customers experience minimal downtime and reliable access to support across all four states.

## 2025 PCI Design Awards

Several projects were honored with 2025 PCI Design Awards, presented by the Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute (PCI). For 62 years, the awards have showcased and recognized creative and innovative uses of precast concrete. They are judged by panels of engineers, architects, and precast concrete producers.

The categories and winners are:

### 2025 Designs Awards Winning Projects – Specials

- Harry H. Edwards Industry Advancement Award Co-winner *and* Bridge with a Main Span from 76-200 Feet: Harkers Island Bridge Replacement, Coastal Precast Systems;
- Harry H. Edwards Industry Advancement Award Co-winner *and* Higher Education/University Building: MTSU School of Concrete and Construction Management, GATE Precast;
- All-Precast Concrete Solution Award: 43 Green Phase 1, Dukane Precast, Inc.;
- Building Information Modeling (BIM) Award: Teterboro Air Traffic Control Tower, Unistress Corporation; and
- Sustainable Design Award *and* Healthcare/Medical Building: Baptist Hospital Campus, GATE Precast.

*Special Awards Jury:* Mary Ann Griggas-Smith, Tindall Corporation; Timothy Hawk, WSA Studio; and Jordan Watkins, PTAC Engineering, LLC.

### 2025 Design Awards Winning Projects – Buildings

- Convention Meeting Facilities: Gas South District Convention Center Addition & Renovation, GATE Precast;
- Government and Public: General Assembly Building, GATE Precast;
- International Building: Odea Montréal, Saramac;
- Mixed-Use: The Crossing at Jamaica Station, Global Precast Inc.;
- Multi-Family: Lofts on Grove, Fabcon;
- Office: Educational Media Foundation Headquarters, GATE Precast;
- All-Precast Concrete Parking Structure: University of California, Davis Health Parking Structure IV, Clark Pacific;
- Parking Structure (Façade Only): 7001 Burnet Road, GATE Precast;
- Religious Structure: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Temple, GATE Precast;

- School (K-12): Boys Town Education Center, Enterprise Precast Concrete Inc.;
- Theater: Wildflower Studios, Universal Concrete Products; and
- Custom Solution: Duke University Central Campus Chilled Water Plant #3, GATE Precast.

*Building Awards Jury:* Dusty Andrews, Knife River Prestress, Inc.; Suzanne Aultman, Metromont LLC; Tony McConnell, Robert A.M. Stern Architects LLP; and Michael Novendstern, HKS Inc.

### 2025 Design Awards Winning Projects – Transportation

- Bridge with a Main Span up to 75 Feet: I-5 Over 26th Avenue Bridge Replacement Project, Knife River Prestress, Inc.;
- Bridge with a Main Span from 76-200 Feet: Blue Hill Falls Bridge Over Salt Pond Outlet, J. P. Carrara & Sons, Inc.;
- Non-Highway Bridge: Robert F. Kennedy Pedestrian/Cycle Bridge, The Fort Miller Co., Inc.; and
- Transportation Special Solution: SR 519 Seattle Ferry, Multimodal Terminal at Coleman Dock, Concrete Technology Corporation.

*Transportation Awards Jury:* David Garber, Federal Highway Administration; Francesco (Frank) Russo, Russo Structural Services; and Lee Wegner, Contech Engineered Solutions LLC.

## Cemex Joins Construction of Tampa's Largest Transportation Project

Building materials provider Cemex contributed to the construction of the Howard Frankland Bridge in Tampa, FL, USA. The 865 million USD project, which will be the largest bridge by surface area in the state, marks an important step in bolstering the region's infrastructure resilience and hurricane evacuation preparedness. The bridge is designed to enhance connectivity between Tampa and the St. Petersburg, FL area, providing a lifeline for residents during emergencies. Cemex has supplied around 141,000 yd<sup>3</sup> (107,800 m<sup>3</sup>) of concrete and 104,000 tons (94,300 tonnes) of aggregates to the project thus far. The design features a bicycle and pedestrian trail, express lanes, and accommodation for a light rail in the future. The bridge opened to traffic in Spring 2025. The project aligns with broader goals of enhancing transportation infrastructure for improved connectivity and disaster response capabilities.



Howard Frankland Bridge