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ACPA INVITES INDUSTRY PARTNERS TO JOIN JOB SITE SAFETY COALITION

LEWIS CENTER, OHIO – (MARCH 14, 2023) This week at CONEXPO-CON/AGG, the largest construction trade show in North America, the American Concrete Pumping Association (ACPA) announced a major safety campaign that brings heightened awareness of job site safety when working with or around a concrete pump. The campaign highlights the responsibilities of each trade and the importance of working together to achieve the ultimate goal of keeping every person on a job site safe.

The ACPA is inviting companies and organizations across the concrete industry to join the campaign's coalition of industry partners.

“The success of the campaign is dependent on the collaboration of many,” said Christi Collins, ACPA executive director. “We are thankful for the industry leaders who have already stepped up to support this campaign, and we are actively seeking more organizations, including concrete contractors, to join our coalition. Together, we will raise awareness and help create a safer work environment for everyone.”

To date, the American Society of Concrete Contractors (ASCC), Concrete Foundations Association (CFA), Tilt-Up Concrete Association (TCA) and concrete contractor Joseph J. Albanese, based in California, have pledged their support:

“Concrete placement plays an integral role in the day-to-day activities for concrete contractors. Many variables and degrees of responsibility are based on scope of work and parties involved. The ACPA job site safety awareness campaign helps communicate responsibilities to those who own, operate and work around concrete pumps. This campaign strives to ensure those involved are aware of the related hazards and understand their roles and responsibilities under the ASME B30.27 standard to ensure safe work conditions and practices are met. The American Society of Concrete Contractors is proud to partner with ACPA, a committed industry partner, to help spread awareness around job site safety.” –*ASCC Director of Safety Services Joseph Whiteman*



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“High pressure and tight schedules require increasing awareness of the standards and practices that help keep workers safe. We’ve seen too many significant injuries on projects, even by safety-conscious contractors. The Concrete Foundations Association is proud to support this critically important job site safety campaign and spread the message about the B30.27 standard to anybody who owns, operates or works around concrete pumps.” –*CFA Executive Director James R. Baty II, FACI*

“Increasing awareness of the standards and practices that help keep workers safe is an ongoing part of our commitment to the future of this industry. The Tilt-Up Concrete Association supports this imperative job site safety campaign, which highlights each trade's responsibilities under B30.27. We will be an active partner to spread the message to anybody who owns, operates or works around concrete pumps—significant contributors to the growth of tilt-up construction.” –*TCA Executive Director Mitch Bloomquist*

“At Joseph J. Albanese, we are fully devoted to our mission of ‘Getting It Done Safely!’ This is why we support this incredibly important job site safety campaign. When each trade understands their responsibilities under B30.27 when working with or around a concrete pump, the entire job site is safer.” –*John Messing, JJA Safety Director*

Prevent. Protect. Partner!

“The ACPA saw an industry need to ensure that everyone on the job site has a clear understanding of their responsibilities on a concrete pumping job,” said Collins. “Our goal of this campaign is to encourage partnering across all the trades, because when we all work together, we create a safer environment for everyone.”

The cornerstone of the campaign is a new microsite—WeAreSaferTogether.org—which provides and promotes valuable information to all who work with or around concrete pump equipment. The website serves as an educational resource that provides job site responsibilities by trade, videos, downloadable flyers, FAQs and much more. It will be regularly updated to provide content designed to educate, encourage and empower those on job sites to do their part to keep everyone safe.

What contractors need to know about ASME B30.27

The B30.27 standard is intended to prevent or minimize injury to workers and otherwise provide for the protection of life, limb and property by prescribing safety requirements. It provides direction to manufacturers, owners, employers, users and others concerned with or responsible for its application, and guide governments and other regulatory bodies in the development, promulgation and enforcement of appropriate safety directives.

Since its first publication in 2005, the standard has gone through several reviews (every five years), with revisions including the addition of a competency requirement, the definition of “signalperson” and job



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site responsibilities. While the most recent version of the standard, published in 2020, includes some revisions and redesignations, there were no changes to the job site responsibilities established in the 2014 version.

Join the Coalition

Those interested in joining the campaign's coalition of industry partners can contact Taylor White at taylor@concretepumpers.com or 614.531.5618. Coalition members are featured on the campaign website and will be given equipment decals and other promotional materials, as they become available, to distribute to employees, members and/or project partners.

"By raising awareness and providing valuable resources, this campaign will help construction trades prevent accidents, protect their workers and partner together to heighten safety awareness for everyone on a job site," said Tabah Nez, safety director for the ACPA. "We are most efficient when everyone is armed with knowledge and then gets involved in the planning process."

To learn more about the campaign, please visit WeAreSaferTogether.org.

About the ACPA

The ACPA is a nonprofit association that serves as an advocate for the concrete pumping industry committed to promotion, education and safety for its members and all those coming into contact with a concrete pump on the construction job site. For more information about the ACPA, visit www.concretepumpers.com.

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