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New Widest Panel Tops TCA Top Ten List

MOUNT VERNON, IOWA (April 23, 2009) – The Tilt-Up Concrete Association (TCA) – a non-profit international organization that serves to expand and improve the use of site-cast Tilt-Up as the preferred construction method – has announced a new widest panel on the *Top Ten* list.

According to Jason Swagert, Vice President of Citadel Contractors – the Tilt-Up subcontractor for the project, the 74-foot, ½-inch wide panel was one of 270 panels for 200,000-square-foot High Point Town Center retail center located in Prattville, Ala. With a shell construction schedule of a mere five months, the center opened in October.

Swagert said Tilt-Up was selected because it was more economical than conventional construction and the construction method also enabled the team to meet a very aggressive schedule. Further, he noted that the wide panel was a necessity in order to accomplish the same architectural features as would have been constructed using conventional construction.

“Tilt Up construction provides a variety of options that makes the construction process faster, cleaner and more durable to pests and weather,” said Swagert.

To learn more about other projects on the TCA Top Ten List, visit www.tilt-up.org/toptendefault.htm.

About TCA

TCA was founded in 1986 to improve the quality and acceptance of site cast Tilt-Up construction, a construction method in which concrete wall panels are cast on-site and tilted into place. Tilt-Up construction is one of the fastest growing industries in the United States, combining the advantages of reasonable cost with low maintenance, durability, speed of

construction and minimal capital investment. For more information about the TCA visit www.tilt-up.org.

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Sidebar One: Project Team

Shell Contractor: Citadel Contractors, Inc.
Architect: Richard L. Bowen & Associates
Structural Engineer: Coggin Carrara, Inc.
Owner: AIG Baker Shopping Center Properties

Sidebar Two: Top Ten Widest Panels

1. High Point Town Center (Prattville, Ala.): Widest panel: 74 feet, 0.5 inches. TCA members involved in the project are: Citadel Contractors (Tilt-Up Contractor).
2. Cary Christian School (Cary, N.C.): Widest panel: 71 feet, 4 inches. TCA members involved in the project are: Citadel Contractors (Tilt-Up Contractor); Robert L. Hume (Tilt-Up Design); Meadow Burke (Tilt-Up Lifting and Bracing); Noxcrete (Tilt-Up Bond Breaker).
3. South Park Service Center (Orlando, Fla.): Widest panel: 70 feet. TCA members involved in the project are: T & T Construction of Central FL, Inc. (Contractor); Sunshine Specialties, Inc. (Tilt-Up Contractor).
4. City Kia (Orlando, Fla.): Widest panel: 69 feet, 3¼ inches. TCA members involved in the project are: Seretta Construction, Inc. (Contractor).
5. Glendale Spring Training Complex (Glendale, Ariz.): Widest panel: 60 feet, 3¼ inches. TCA members involved in the project are: Riggs Contracting, Inc. (Tilt-Up Contractor); Noxcrete (Tilt-Up Bond Breaker).
6. Orlando Southpark Center Building 1 (Orlando, Fla.): Widest panel: 59 feet, 11¼ inches. TCA members involved in the project are: T & T Construction (Tilt-Up Contractor); Meadow Burke Engineering (Tilt-Up Engineering and Bracing).
7. Brookfield Fire Hall (Brookfield, Nova Scotia): Widest panel: 55 feet, 5.63 inches. TCA members involved in the project are: J.W. Lindsay Enterprises Limited (Tilt-Up Contractor).
8. Saint Louis University Arcade Walk (St. Louis, Mo.): Widest panel: 55 feet. TCA members involved in the project are: Concrete Strategies Inc. (Tilt-Up Contractor).
9. Broadway 101 Commercepark (Mesa, Ariz.): Widest panel: 54 feet, 11¼ inches. TCA members involved in the project are: Riggs Contracting, Inc. (Tilt-Up Contractor).
10. High Desert Harley Davidson (Meridian, Idaho): Widest panel: 54 feet, 10½ inches. TCA members involved in the project are: Petra Incorporated (General Contractor and Tilt-Up Contractor).