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ACPA Recognizes Powell as Honorary Life Member

Skokie, Ill. —The American Concrete Pavement Association (ACPA) recognizes M. Lee Powell III as a recipient of a 2006 Honorary Life Member award for his passion and advocacy for the concrete pavement industry.

M. Lee Powell III retired from the Ballenger Paving Division of APAC-Southeast, Inc., having served the company with distinction for more than 45 years. In spite of his official retirement, Powell continues to be a steadfast supporter, contributor, advocate, and friend to the concrete pavement industry.

Powell has earned distinguished honors for his work in the industry in many ways. He is a recipient of the ACPA Hartmann-Hirschman award for more than 40 years of leadership, service and dedication to advancing the use and roles of concrete pavements, as well as his established record of quality concrete pavement construction and rehabilitation. Powell also is the only person in ACPA's more than 40-year history to serve twice as the association's chairman—once in 1985 and again in 1999.

He was recognized by an official state Senate proclamation as one of the South Carolina's most outstanding and respected leaders. Powell also was recognized recently as the first recipient of the ACPA-Southeast Chapter's honorary life membership award, an award named in his honor.

When Powell was asked to do "the heavy lifting," he was always there. Since the 1960's, he has occupied most every ACPA committee or leadership position, ranging from technical to market development to government affairs.

He was part of a steering committee in 1998 that led the industry to the most comprehensive market research program in history. A year later, Powell helped lead the charge as chairman in

1999 when the industry began to implement a new business plan, which led to a more than 20% increase in highway market share.

In presenting the award, Peter Deem, 2006 Chairman of ACPA's Board of Directors and Vice President of National and Regional Promotions for Holcim (US) Inc., acknowledged Powell's work ethics and devotion.

"It is my great and sincere pleasure to present the ACPA honorary life membership award to a true gentleman, a first-class contractor, and a good friend who has touched many, many more lives both in the industry and in the community-at-large," Deem said.

ACPA is the national trade association for the concrete pavement industry. ACPA's primary mission is to advocate for the use of concrete pavement in highways, airfields, and roadways throughout the United States.

To that end, ACPA and its network of affiliated regional chapters and state paving associations work together to promote the features and benefits of concrete pavements. ACPA's services generally fall into five discrete categories:

- Providing technical service and troubleshooting;
- Facilitating and conducting research, technology transfer, and technology implementation;
- Delivering educational, training, and outreach programs;
- Providing market development, measurement, and promotional support; and
- Using political advocacy and lobbying efforts to create a favorable business environment and to assure adequate funding.

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- www.pavement.com ... ACPA's official technical and informational site.

- www.pavements4life.com ... A website aimed at satisfying the general public's requirement for the truth about highways, roadways, and airfields.

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