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AMERICAN CONCRETE INSTITUTE AND PRECAST/PRESTRESSED CONCRETE INSTITUTE ANNOUNCE EXPANDED PARTNERSHIP

Collaboration on joint committee and new structural precast concrete code requirements to benefit designers, industry, and public

FARMINGTON HILLS, Mich. and CHICAGO**,** February 24, 2020 – In direct response to expressed industry need for building code requirements that address the unique aspects of precast concrete design, the American Concrete Institute and Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute are pleased to announce a new, expanded partnership to increase efficiency for design of structural precast concrete structures.

While the two organizations and their members have worked collaboratively for decades, this partnership formalizes efforts and expands the American Concrete Institute's Committee 319, Precast Structural Concrete Code, into a joint committee cosponsored by both ACI and the Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute. ACI-PCI Committee 319 will develop and maintain structural concrete code requirements both unique to the design of precast concrete and complementary to ACI 318, "Building Code Requirements for Structural Concrete."

"By combining volunteer and staff efforts, ACI and PCI are well-positioned to produce new and user-friendly structural precast concrete building code requirements that complement existing code requirements, meet the needs of the industry, and ensure public safety and welfare," stated Ronald G. Burg, PE, Executive Vice President, American Concrete Institute.

"Establishing this joint committee meets the needs of both PCI and ACI members by incorporating specific precast concrete design knowledge and expertise from both organizations," stated Bob Risser, PE, President and CEO, Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute. "Creating this new document will allow the codification of information that is already used by engineers and architects in everyday practice as well as providing one comprehensive document for the design of structural precast concrete."

To talk face-to-face with industry leaders about the expanded partnership, attend The PCI Convention , March 3-7, in Fort Worth, TX, and the ACI Concrete Convention, March 29-April 2, in Rosemont/Chicago, IL. Additional information is available on pci.org/convention and concrete.org.

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PHOTO CAPTION: Expanded partnership between ACI and PCI to accelerate efforts to develop new structural precast concrete code requirements, collaborate on joint committee, and more. 1200 Intrepid, a four-story office building in Philadelphia, Pa., features a gravity-defying design that has received both 2016 PCI Design Awards and ACI 2018 Excellence in Concrete Construction Awards, for its precast concrete innovation.

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For more information, email tbagsarian@pci.org.

About ACI

Founded in 1904 with a headquarters in Farmington Hills, Mich., and a regional office in Dubai, UAE, the American Concrete Institute is a leading authority and resource worldwide for the development, dissemination, and adoption of its consensus-based standards, technical resources, educational and training programs, certification programs, and proven expertise for individuals and organizations involved in concrete design, construction, and materials, who share a commitment to pursuing the best use of concrete. For additional information, visit concrete.org.

About PCI

Founded in 1954, The Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute (PCI) is a technical institute for the precast concrete structures and systems industry. PCI develops, maintains, and disseminates the Body of Knowledge for the design, fabrication, and construction of precast concrete structures and systems. PCI develops consensus base standards, industry handbooks, quality assurance programs, certification, research and development projects, design manuals, continuing education and periodical publications. PCI members include precast concrete producers, erectors, suppliers, professional engineers and architects, educators, students, and industry consultants who complement the wide range of knowledge of precast concrete. For more additional information, visit pci.org.