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GERKEN PAVING INC. WINS NATIONAL AWARD FOR QUALITY IN ASPHALT PAVING

Lanham, Md. — The National Asphalt Pavement Association (NAPA) announced today that Gerken Paving Inc. of Napoleon, Ohio, has won a 2013 Quality in Construction Award for excellence in construction of an asphalt pavement. The company received its award on Wednesday, Feb. 5, at a ceremony during the association's 59th Annual Meeting in Boca Raton, Fla.

"As an industry, asphalt pavement producers have devoted a great deal of time and effort to determining the best practices necessary to construct long-lasting, high-quality asphalt pavements that offer the durable performance pavement owners and the public value. The Quality in Construction Awards compare nominated pavements against best practices and standards, and honor those that exemplify excellence in construction standards, such as the project completed by Gerken Paving Inc.," stated John J. Keating, 2013 Chairman of the NAPA Board of Directors.

Gerken Paving Inc. won the award for its work on the Ohio Turnpike between MP 27.5 and MP 38.9 in Fulton County, Ohio. This mill-and-overlay project was completed in four phases using a newly purchased, wheel-mounted paver fitted for full-width paving of 26-feet on the intermediate course and 24-feet on the surface course. To ensure optimal smoothness, corrective milling was performed on all repairs prior to placement of the intermediate course. A material-transfer vehicle and 24-hour paving on the surface course helped eliminate stopping of the paving train. In total, more than 82,000 tons of asphalt was used, with 30 percent reclaimed asphalt pavement used in the base layer and 20 percent in the intermediate course.

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The National Asphalt Pavement Association (NAPA) is the only trade association that exclusively represents the interests of the asphalt producer/contractor on the national level with Congress, government agencies, and other national trade and business organizations. NAPA supports an active research program designed to improve the quality of asphalt pavements and paving techniques used in the construction of roads, streets, highways, parking lots, airports, and environmental and recreational facilities. The association provides technical, educational, and marketing materials and information to its members; supplies product information to users and specifiers of paving materials; and conducts training courses. The association, which counts more than 1,100 companies as members, was founded in 1955.