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CONTECH and Clean Water Resources partner to provide infrastructure solutions with a lower carbon footprint

- September 08, 2009 - CONTECH Construction Products Inc. and Clean Water Resources (CWR) announced today that stormwater, bridge and tunnel concrete structures sold by CONTECH in California, Washington, Oregon and Alaska can now be made on request using 2X Green, a greener, high-performance concrete.

Unlike regular concrete, 2X Green is made from partly recycled materials such as silica fume and fly ash, a byproduct of coal-fired power plants. 2X Green, manufactured by CWR, provides twice the durability and up to a 70% reduction in CO2 when compared to standard concrete used in drainage and underground infrastructure.

“Our goal is to provide asset owners with the highest quality infrastructure, with the least impact on the environment, and at the lowest life cycle cost. We are excited to have CONTECH as a partner in advancing this dramatic change in how we build infrastructure for the 21st century,” said David Sinclair, President of Clean Water Resources.

The first CONTECH system to incorporate 2X Green, the Stormwater Management StormFilter, was installed as part of The Irvine Company's Fashion Island Project in Newport Beach, California. “Sustainable development must consider all aspects of environmental impact. The Irvine Company is proud to take leadership in the area of next generation stormwater structures and concrete,” said Sat Tamerabuchi, senior advisor and former Director of Environment, The Irvine Company.

“CONTECH is committed to shaping the future of green building and design, and with this partnership we are delivering on that commitment by offering our customers another option that helps them minimize their environmental impact,” said Craig Wenzlick, West Area Vice President for CONTECH. The StormFilter vault installed at Fashion Island will lead to a reduction of 14 tons of CO2 emissions over the life of the structure.

