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SUNDSTRAND MILESTONE

By David Rodgers, Demolition Division Manager

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The Colorado Contractors Association awarded RMCI their "Most Improved" award for 2007 for continued improvement in our safety performance along with Zero Incident Rate pertaining to no lost time accidents.

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The Hamilton Sundstrand project, started in mid-October 2007, has reached one of its long awaited milestones: the completion of all interior asbestos abatement. To this point, the demolition team led by **J.C. Walford** has been following the abatement contractor, EAS Inc., razing the west building, the remote building and select portions of the main building. On

Monday, March 9, 2008 the last of the asbestos was removed from the main building and J.C. was given the green light to proceed with unrestricted demolition.

Asbestos is not the only environmental obstacle facing the demolition team. The site contains concrete contaminated with various chemicals and metals. The team is doing a great job of

separating the contaminated concrete that must be removed from the site and disposed of at an approved landfill, from the clean concrete that can be re-used on-site. **Dave Edel's** crews have processed more than 7,000 tons to date with an additional 23,000 tons to be completed before the end of the project in late May, 2008.

A hearty thank-you to all involved!

SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS RMCI FAMILY

The National Demolition Association's \$5K Southern California Chapter Scholarship for continuing education will benefit **Gabriela Morales**, the spouse of RMCI employee **Jesus Lopez**. This Southern California Chapter Scholarship will assist Gabriela in the completion of her degree in Modern Languages (Spanish major and secondary teaching minor) at the Metropolitan State College of Denver.

Gabriela and Jesus came to the United States from Mexico in 1999. Jesus soon began working with RMCI and now serves as crusher lead man at many of RMCI's recycle centers. Morales began working at Jefferson High School soon after arriving in the States and now hopes, upon completion of her degrees, to serve as a Spanish teacher at Jefferson.

While her current studies should be complete in one to two years, in the future, Morales would like to achieve an endorsement in English as a Second Language (ESL).

DAVE'S RECYCLE CORNER

BY DAVE EDEL, OPERATIONS MANAGER COLORADO

RMCI crews have been busy this winter. For the last 8 months RMCI has been loading Biota trucks for R.E. Monks. Early in January a third crew was added to load trucks for Nielsen Skanska. Nielsen is the third contractor to haul Biota and place it on the landfills at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal.

By February 20th, three contractors—Envirocon, R.E. Monks and Nielsen—had hauled a total of 1 million tons. Three RMCI crews are loading 1,425 tons each hour, a little over 50,000 tons per week, on the 24 side dump trailers. Loading

this material are two 966G Cat Loaders, one 980 Cat Loader, one 345 Cat Excavator, and one 330 Cat Excavator. The crews are supported by a safety supervisor, a Cat 140 Motor Grader and a water truck to control the dust.

RMCI is also recycling concrete at the Stapleton, Arvada and DADS yards. The crew at Stapleton has recycled 75,000 tons making 24,000 tons of #57 concrete aggregate in January and February. We are projecting a need for 15,000 tons of concrete rock each month for the next several months. With the addition of our

new aggregate salesman, **Mike Glenn**, we expect to be busy at DADS, Stapleton and the Arvada yards as well this summer.

Recycling concrete at the recycle yards, DIA, Sundstrand, Greenwood Springs and several other projects we are currently bidding, promises to keep our crushing crews busy this year.

Demolition and construction crews continue to work at Rentech, Sundstrand and have more projects coming at Rocky Flats. We expect a very good year and want to thank all our crews for their efforts.

RMCI EXPANDING MARKETS

BY LISA GARD, BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

RMCI is taking a formidable approach to expand our client base and work zones beyond Colorado and California. Business Development (BD) is nothing new for **Rick Givan** but the level of activity has been given

a boost with the efforts of our BD Department. RMCI became officially registered with the Federal Government as a "Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business" in 2007, opening up special

opportunities to bid on projects that will be restricted from open competition. This will give RMCI more chances to bid on jobs for agencies like the Army Corps of Engineers, regional
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DRUM ROLL PLEASE

BY SHAWNA BOHAN, EDITOR

RMCI regularly benefits from the weather patterns in Colorado. Now, RMCI gains experienced estimator, **David Ferguson**, in part due to the horrible heat of Texas in the summertime. The Pennsylvania native had his fill of Texas weather when he moved to Colorado back in 2001 – and is happy he did.

A position with Mortenson brought David to the Stapleton redevelopment project and into contact with RMCI president, **Rick Givan**. Ferguson sees the growth and potential at RMCI, “RMCI’s services give us the ability to be first on the jobsite and give developers the oppor-

tunity to take advantage of our services long-term. I see that we could, in a couple of years, take on the role of construction manager for a major developer,” he adds. To that growth, David adds his estimating experience, prepares proposals and schedules and brings a new point of view when looking at underground utilities, earthmoving, paving, structures and similar projects with which he has experience.

David keeps a balance between work, family and his passion for music. He and wife, Yeh, a native of Malaysia, had a daughter, Allyson in June of 2005. When there is

downtime, David can be found in the music studio inside his home where he cuts drum tracks for bands. “Music is a passion – it’s my religion and gives me sanity,” he explains. Yeh, who speaks five languages, is a co-manager at WalMart while Allyson majors mostly in art, dolls and attempts at cooking.

Right now, David is focusing on increasing his knowledge of RMCI’s recycling, demolition and remediation projects. In the future he hopes to earn a Master’s of Finance or MBA.

Please welcome David Ferguson!

tion and dirtwork firms and establish the relationships and trust necessary to earn their business. He is also integral in establishing a customer base for the newest Titan and Tri-City recycle centers which opened in 2007.

In 2000, Mike came to Colorado Springs to continue work with Penhall. It was there that he met fiancée, Rachelle. She works as an executive assistant for Katzke Paper Company. The two hope for a destination wedding, somewhere southerly and warm like Mexico or Costa Rica. While no date has been set, “I’m going to need some time off soon,” Mike hints.

Right now the couple practices parenting skills on Marvin, their seven year-old black-headed Caique (a South American Parrot). Marvin’s breed is considered the clown of the bird world, has an intelligence of a two-and-a-half year-old child and has a life expectancy of 30-40 years. Anyone want to parrot-sit while Mike and Rachelle are south for the wedding?

Welcome Mike Glenn!

THE MIDWEST MAGNET

SHAWNA BOHAN, EDITOR

BY

Some might question the number of Midwesterners on staff at RMCI. Add yet another to the list: Minnesota native **Mike Glenn**. Recruited by RMCI’s **J.J. Anderson** (strangely, also from the Midwest), Mike

assists J.J. in building new business for recycled aggregate products at RMCI’s ever-expanding number of recycle centers around the Denver metro area.

Starting his position

during the slower winter season has allowed Mike the time to make contacts, network, assume sales responsibilities at all recycle centers and learn the day-to-day operations at the yards. Mike will target excava-

EXPANDING MARKETS cont'd

Army and Air Force bases, Department of Energy facilities and others that can be set aside for veteran qualified contractors and increasing our chances for success. Large government contractors will also want to include us on their team to help meet the required goals for subcontracting to small and disadvantaged business. We have already submitted prequalification packages to such organizations as Lawrence Livermore and Berkley Labs for demolition services, Omaha Corps of Engineers for environmental services, and the Air Force Academy for dam repair services. We are also stepping up our focus for tracking bid announcements on a daily basis in a six state area regionally as well as continuing to review nationwide announcements on opportunities. Proposal efforts and preparation for large bids will be an important function of the BD Department in 2008.

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RMCI held a start-of-season job fair at the Stapleton redevelopment in March and was very pleased with the number of quality applicants eager to join our growing team. Thank you for your referrals.

LET'S GO HOME SAFE!

BY MIKE STEWART, RMCI SAFETY DIRECTOR

RMCI's EMR Rate continues to be well below the industry standard at .73 and we have started 2008 in the right direction, no OSHA reportable. I believe we can continue this trend through 2008 and beyond. We must!

Maintaining a good safety record allows everyone to go home SAFE each day, places the company in GOOD standing for bidding and prequalifying for work and keeps insurance COSTS down.

A good example of this is the fact that RMCI has been awarded a one-year extension concerning the Basic Order Agreement contract with S. M. Stoller. Stoller is the Department of Energy (DOE) Legacy Management (LM) Prime Contractor at the Rocky Flats Site.

In addition, various sources indicate that both OSHA and MSHA are stepping up their respective charter in ensuring compliance with safety elements and concerns in the

industries. Managers, supervisors and employees are encouraged to think safety at all times and if you see someone performing an unsafe act, please do your part and "stop-the-employee - immediately".

We have several employees who have volunteered to be a member of the 2008 Safety Committee. Thank you to those who volunteered.