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CINCINNATI CONVENTION SUMMARY



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he ICRI 2011 Fall Convention was another busy one for ICRI technical committees and task groups. Productive meetings were held, with progress reported on numerous documents and other committee initiatives. I am happy to report that ICRI and the Post-Tensioning Institute (PTI) are very close to finalizing a joint document on the evaluation and repair of unbonded post-

tensioned concrete structures. We are hoping for publication in early 2012 and hopefully in time to feature it at World of Concrete. The production of this document involved substantial efforts by both PTI and ICRI members. Thank you to all who contributed their time and expertise to this document.

The convention theme was "Water & Wastewater Treatment Plant Repairs." A total of 13 excellent presentations were delivered in the technical sessions and the speakers received excellent reviews. The presentations covered many different aspects of water and wastewater structure repairs, including evaluation, innovative repairs, and specialty repair and protection materials. The numerous project case histories that were presented demonstrated the vast expertise and capabilities of our membership. Copies of the presentations can be found at **www.icri.org/events/conventionhandouts.asp**. Thank you to all the speakers for their excellent presentations. Also, many thanks go out to Peter Golter, Kelly Page, and Dale Regnier for their great job organizing the technical sessions.

Speaking of ICRI expertise and capabilities, the Project Awards Banquet recognized the outstanding projects completed by our members in the past year. Each year, I am amazed by the technical innovation and implementation ingenuity that the award-winning projects showcase. Congratulations to all award winners. Refer to the ICRI Web site or the November/December 2011 issue of the *Concrete Repair Bulletin* for summaries of the award-winning projects.

Finally, if you are not doing so already, please consider sharing your expertise and experience with other ICRI members by joining a technical committee, giving a presentation, or submitting a project for award consideration. The effort will be personally rewarding with great satisfaction. As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments. You can reach me at kmichols@wje.com or (847) 272-7400.