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**GRANITE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY EARNS  
DIAMOND ACHIEVEMENT COMMENDATION**

**Indio, CA (January 5, 2007)** Granite Construction Company, Southern California Branch has earned the National Asphalt Pavement Association's (NAPA) Diamond Achievement Commendation for Excellence in Hot-Mix Asphalt Plant/Site Operations for Indio Hot Plant and Jiminez Site Portable Plant.

Sites are reviewed on the basis of; Appearance, Site Operations, Environmental Practices, Safety, Permitting and Regulatory Compliance, and Community Relations. Earning the Commendation serves as a signal that the site measures up to a national level and exemplifies a commitment to excellence.

The National Asphalt Pavement Association is the only association that exclusively represents the interests of the hot-mix 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 HMA 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, whose members number more than 1100 companies, was founded in 1955.

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