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### **ARIZONA CEMENT PLANT EARNS PERFECT ENERGY EFFICIENCY SCORE FOR THIRD YEAR IN A ROW**

PHOENIX – Chelsea Group congratulates the Salt River Materials Group's Phoenix Cement Company Plant in Clarkdale, Arizona, on achieving a perfect efficiency record for the third straight year. The cement plant was awarded the highest possible score of 100 on the Energy Performance Indicator (EPI) in 2008 and 2009 and has earned the same perfect score in 2010. This is the fourth year in a row that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ENERGY STAR® Label will be awarded to the Clarkdale Plant.

The Clarkdale Plant is recognized as the most efficient cement plant in the United States and one of the most efficient in the world. The perfect 100 on its 2010 ENERGY STAR EPI highlights that success. The EPA ENERGY STAR Label recognizes the effort and resources that go into maintaining an energy-efficient facility.

“We are pleased to be able to support the efforts of a company that is so dedicated to energy efficiency and sustainability,” said Dave Munn, chief technical officer, Chelsea Group, Ltd. “It was an honor to work with Salt River Materials Group to earn their ENERGY STAR Label, and we applaud their great success.” Mr. Munn has previously conducted an energy audit at the Clarkdale Plant in support of its energy conservation goals.

The Clarkdale Plant continues to work toward reducing energy consumption, emissions, and water consumption. Projects such as modified operating procedures, installation of high-efficiency equipment and lighting, upgrades to existing lighting and compressed-air systems, and employee awareness training contribute to the plant's continuing energy-savings progress.

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"We have worked hard over the years to make this plant energy efficient, and these scores mark us as second to none when compared to other cement plants in the United States," said Lew Dodendorf, energy manager, Salt River Materials Group.

"We are most appreciative of the award from the U.S. EPA as a winner of the prestigious ENERGY STAR Label," said Roger Smith, president and CEO of Phoenix Cement Company.

"We are pleased and honored for the recognition from the Agency for the fourth year!"

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### **Background on Chelsea Group, Ltd. and Salt River Materials Group**

**Salt River Materials Group** (SRMG) is the commercial trade name for marketing activities of Phoenix Cement Company and Salt River Sand and Rock. SRMG, headquartered at the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's Chaparral Business Park near Scottsdale, Arizona, is the only Native American-owned producer of portland cement in the United States, and is also a major manufacturer and marketer of sand and gravel and recycled coal combustion products (fly ash) and pozzolans throughout Arizona and the Southwestern United States. More information about Salt River Materials Group can be found at <http://www.srmaterials.com>.

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