

**Systech and Contek aim to set a new standard
in excellence for the construction industry**

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Two software powerhouses have announced a new North American alliance that promise to help ready mix, asphalt and aggregate producers drive greater productivity, quality control and flexibility into their plant operations.

Combining forces are Systech, Inc., maker of the Integra® suite of batch control, dispatch and office software, and Contek, creator of Labsys, seeMix and other full-featured quality control, mix management and production management software. Effective immediately, the two companies are combining their sales efforts throughout the U.S., Canada and Latin America, as well as creating a technical alliance that will fully, and seamlessly, integrate their two software product lines.

Systech will serve as the exclusive distribution representative for Contek products serving the ready mix, aggregate and asphalt industries in North America. In addition, the Systech and Contek development teams will immediately expand their technology sharing and product integration efforts to create a unified product offering addressing the operational requirements for dispatch, batch, mix design, quality control laboratories, scale management and production control for construction materials producers.

The alliance was jointly announced by Daniel Bissonnette, president of Contek, and John Rabchuk, president of Systech.

"In addition to the exciting features and functionality that we will now incorporate within the Contek and Systech product lines, all of us here at Systech are tremendously excited about working directly with the entire Contek team, including their in-house concrete technologists Jim and Jay Shilstone," said Rabchuk. "Systech takes great pride in providing technology and productivity leadership to producers in the construction materials industry, and this is another significant step in setting a new standard for the industry."

"We, too, are very pleased that we will be able to work so closely with Systech," added Bissonnette. "Systech's reputation within the industry is second to none, and they are the ideal partner to further enhance the leadership role that Contek has taken providing software for materials management, laboratory control, mix design and quality control."

Systech will be showcasing new opportunities created for producers by the alliance at both the 2008 World of Concrete and 2008 ConExpo-Con/Agg trade shows in Las Vegas.

Based in Woodridge, IL, Systech is the leading provider of fully Windows® compliant dispatch, billing and batching systems for construction materials producers. Contek is a consulting and software design firm specializing in Quality Control and Mix analysis solutions for the construction industry's Aggregate, Concrete and Hot Mix Asphalt suppliers, based in Montreal, Canada.

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