

## **Concrete Washout Systems, Inc. Successfully Defends Its Invention In Patent-Pending Status**

*Southern California Company Develops Partnership After Discovering Its Product Was a Look-Like and Copy*

Elk Grove, CA.-February 21, 2005 - Concrete Washout Systems, Inc., the world's largest concrete washout service company, announced today that it has successfully defended the CWS in patent-pending status and entered into a licensing partnership with Knoble Construction, Inc., a Redlands, California company, who had developed a similar product to Concrete Washout Systems patent pending invention, which published on August 12, 2004.

"Although we do not yet have a patent, federal statute, 35 U.S.C. Section 154, provides us with certain rights now, including issuing cease and desist letters. If the issued patent is substantially identical to our patent application, we will have the right to obtain a reasonable royalty from anyone who makes, uses, offers for sale or sells an invention as claimed in our application, with actual knowledge of our published patent application," stated Kevin Mickelson, Vice President of Concrete Washout Systems, Inc. "We are very serious about protecting our intellectual property rights and our legal team will aggressively pursue any person or company whom we believe is violating our intellectual property rights," added Mr. Mickelson.

Concrete Washout Systems strongly encourages any company or persons who may have a similar product in development or in operation to contact them immediately. Concrete Washout Systems would rather explore and develop licensed partnerships instead of pursuing legal actions against companies and believe this partnership is a win-win scenario for all parties involved.

"Joe Knobloch developed a product that was substantially similar to ours and we immediately notified him of our product and system when we discovered his. Mr. Knobloch has acknowledged that his product was a close copy, read our patent application and decided it would be advantageous for him to pursue a licensed partnership after we offered him one. We are very pleased to have a person and businessman of Mr. Knobloch's character, integrity and savvy as a partner and believe he will be a great addition and asset to our business," noted Mr. Mickelson.

"Knoble Construction is excited about entering into a licensing partnership with Concrete Washout Systems, Inc.; a company that has successfully developed an environmentally safe concrete washout box and waste water removal treatment and recycling operation," stated Joe Knobloch, President of Knoble Construction, Inc. "We will be marketing the concrete washout systems box and related services initially on our own jobsites within Southern California, but will expand to outside jobs as demand increases in an effort to foster recycling and waste diversion efforts within the building industry," added Mr. Knobloch.

The patent pending Concrete Washout Systems™ container is a portable, self-contained and watertight bin that controls, captures and contains concrete washout material and wastewater. It allows trade personnel to easily washout concrete trucks, pumps and equipment on site and facilitates easy off site recycling of the same concrete materials and wastewater, while protecting the storm drain system from potential illegal discharges. The off site recycling component creates an even more environmentally sound application. This system replaces other outdated washout BMP's, which are costly, unsightly and damaging to the environment since their containment value diminishes, due to inherently faulty material, over use and lack of maintenance.

### **About Concrete Washout Systems, Inc.**

Concrete Washout Systems is a risk management specialist and industry pioneer in concrete washout and wastewater removal, treatment and recycling. The patent-pending Concrete Washout Systems provides a cost effective, environmentally friendly and compliance alternative for homebuilders, contractors, ready mix and pump operators and environmental engineering firms. For more information visit <http://www.concretewashout.com>

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