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Safety is No Accident

MENOMONIE, WI - On July 31st, 2008, **Wieser Concrete Products, Inc.** celebrated a Safety Record Milestone. The **Wieser Concrete Menomonie Precast Production** facility and **Wieser Engineering and Manufacturing** have been accident free for two (2) years. During the past two years, both Menomonie work teams have had no loss time injuries and they continue to add to this outstanding safety record.

To celebrate this milestone, Andy Wieser, President of **Wieser Concrete** and Safety Manager, Andy Winkler, prepared and served a grilled steak dinner that was enjoyed by the entire team.



Wieser Concrete's Menomonie precast facility produces several precast products with a focus on slatted floor panels for Wieser's Pan-L-Bilt Underbarn Manure Storage Systems. **Wieser Engineering and Manufacturing** fabricates steel forms used by **Wieser Concrete** and other precasters throughout the United States and Canada to produce precast concrete structures.

Wieser Concrete - Portage is Certifiable



Portage, WI - **Wieser Concrete's** Portage production facility has earned its 2009 NPCA Certified Plant rating.

Achieving and maintaining an Na-

tional Precast Concrete Association (NPCA) Plant Certification is a continuous process. Each area of the precast operation must meet NPCA standards to secure the original certification.

Once a plant has achieved NPCA certification, it is evaluated annually during a random inspection conducted by an independent engineer to be recertified through the NPCA Plant Certification program.

Wieser Concrete is proud to be among the top precasters in the United States. Our NPCA certification reaffirms our commitment to quality and production innovation.

Wieser....the Quality Choice!

Show Schedule

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Show	Dates
World Dairy Expo	Sept 30-Oct 4, 2008
NOWRA Installer	Dec 8-10, 2008

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Growing in Leaps and Bounds

Agriculture continues to grow and change in 2008. As with all businesses, growth allows them to compete in the marketplace and realize continued improvements in quality and processes enabling the business to be healthy and productive.

This is the case with **Chippewa Calves** in Murdock, Minnesota. As they have expanded their milking herd, the number of calves being raised has grown. Prior to this year's expansion, the young calves were housed in individual poly-dome huts. While this is an excellent environment for the calves during most of the year, extremely cold weather posed health risks for the calves. The huts are also a labor-intensive production method that offered an opportunity for improvement.

Designed to bring the calves out of the dome huts and into an innovative calf growing system, the **Chippewa Calves** organization built three barns to house the 6000 heifer calves from birth to 800-900 pounds produced at their two dairies where they milk over 9,500 cows. All three buildings are being constructed over **Wieser Concrete Slatted Floor Pan-L-Bilt Underbarn Manure Storage** systems. These manure storage systems save space, time and resources both in the construction phase of the expansion and in the day-to-day operations.

The Stage 1 building will house young calves beginning at birth. These calves will be housed in 32'x 36' group pens and be fed with automatic nipple feeders. Calf activity will be tracked using electronic ID tags that send feeding information to a computer allowing personnel to monitor health and nutrition. This building is constructed over two slatted floor **Wieser Underbarn Manure Storage** structures, sized 96'x180'x12' and 96'x216'x12'. To accommodate the small hooves of the young calves, **Wieser Concrete** produced a customized slatted panel with 1" openings.

The Stage 2 building is being constructed over a slatted floor underbarn manure storage structure with customized 1" opening slatted floor panels. The pit under the Stage 2 building is 96'x432'x12' and will house growing calves in 32'x72' group pens.

The third building is being constructed over a slatted floor underbarn manure storage structure with 1¼" slat openings to accommodate the larger animals being housed in this facility. The pit under this structure is 148'x444'x12'.

These three manure storage structures have a holding capacity of **12.1 million gallons**.

Wieser Concrete is proud to be part of this innovative expansion!

