

## **KENT COMPANIES ANNOUNCES NATIONAL EXPANSION OF ITS CONSTRUCTION SUPPLY NETWORK**

**[GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN]** – Kent Companies, Inc. announced a major expansion of its Construction Supply division to make it the nation’s largest distributor of MacLean Civil Products featuring a full line of helical and resistance piles. Kent Companies reached an agreement with ARKLATEX Helical Distributors to expand its operations via a new distribution point in Marshall, Texas. As a result of this agreement, Kent Companies’ expanded service area includes Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, West Virginia, Wisconsin and Virginia.

Kent Companies CEO Jeff VanderLaan commented, “Construction supply is a natural extension of our concrete construction specialties. We offer our customers deep expertise in the design and construction of foundations that are structurally sound – and the best products to bring those designs to life.”

Kent Companies Construction Supply Vice President Mike Wegman added, “We add value at every level of the supply chain for engineering firms and commercial contractors across our network. We have proven ourselves time and time again in an industry that often faces supply and scheduling issues. We maintain a sizable inventory of steel piers and brackets in key regional markets. We are able to fulfill large orders quickly and deploy products to meet the most demanding schedules.”

Wegman continued, “Our team is the most experienced in the industry. The mix of field experience and in-house professional engineer design services offers our customers engineered solutions that are also practical in the field. Our customers appreciate our willingness to contribute this expertise during the design phase and to provide guidance throughout project installation and closeout.”

Kent Companies Construction Supply division also offers offer professional development seminars for geotechnical and structural firms. To schedule an engineering seminar, contact the Kent Companies corporate office for additional information.

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### **About Kent Companies:**

Kent Companies is a 3<sup>rd</sup>-generation family-owned business with expertise in commercial and industrial construction, mixed-use construction, multi-family housing, tilt-up concrete, post-tensioned cast in place structures and a full range of concrete-related specialties. Kent Companies is headquartered in Grand Rapids, Michigan and has operations in Detroit, Michigan; Dallas, Texas; central Ohio and Charlotte, North Carolina. The Kent Companies team has built a reputation as “Leaders in Concrete.” Read more online at [www.kentcompanies.com](http://www.kentcompanies.com). Additional media inquiries can be directed to Leah Gradl by emailing [lgradl@kentcompanies.com](mailto:lgradl@kentcompanies.com) or by calling (616) 534-4909.