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## **RETIREMENT ANNOUNCEMENT**

**Ripon, California U.S.A. June 14, 2022** - G&Z announces the retirement of John Eisenhower, National Accounts Manager of Concrete Slipform Paving Equipment. John has provided G&Z with devoted service since 2008 sharing his knowledge, passion, and dedication to the concrete pavement industry.

During his five decades of service to the industry, John has been and huge supporter and contributor to the American Concrete Pavement Association (ACPA) and other construction associations. John was named a Chairman of the ACPA Board of Directors, a position he held with pride in 1974. John has also been actively involved in industry organizations including co-founding the Michigan Chapter of ACPA, serving as Chairman of the National Concrete Industry Council, and Vice Chairman of American Road and Transportation Builders Association. Throughout John's career his love, enthusiasm and tireless dedication to the concrete paving industry was apparent to everyone. Because of this dedication, Eisenhower was the 46th recipient of ACPA's prestigious Hartmann-Hirschman-Egan Award in 2014. In receiving the award, he joins an elite group of individuals, companies and agency/owners recognized for their unparalleled contribution to the industry.

John Eisenhower received both a Bachelor of Science and an MBA from his beloved University of Michigan. He worked for Eisenhower Construction from 1964-1983, where he ascended to company President. After the sale of the company in 1983, John remained for five years to see the transition through to what is today, IHC-Scott of Englewood, Colorado. He worked for CMI from 1987 to 1991, working in paving equipment sales selling rotomills, stabilizers, fine grading equipment, and other equipment. He also worked for McCarthy Improvement Company and C.J. Langenfelder & Son, Inc., holding the position of Vice President in both companies. He then returned to CMI as Regional Sales Manager from 1997-2008, before joining Guntert & Zimmerman in 2008.

In 2008, G&Z's growth strategy was focused on growing its sales team, maintaining a high-level service and customer support, and developing new products to meet US and global contractors' fast developing needs. G&Z needed a passionate, anticipative, and knowledgeable sales leader who could foresee and analyze the market trends. G&Z also needed a gifted communicator with a great ability to connect with people. No doubt, John Eisenhower was the one person in the industry to match these criteria. According to G&Z's President and CEO, Ron Guntert "John Eisenhower was one of the best hires I ever made in my career. I consider him a mentor and a friend and wish him a long, happy retirement although I have no doubt John will remain active in the industry."

John has an extensive knowledge of road construction equipment, such as trimmers, pavers, placers, batch plants, and other equipment used by contractors across the nation. He also had a photographic memory on leading US contractors' history, personnel, buying patterns, existing fleet, and purchase history. John was always very proud of the companies where he worked. His beliefs aligned well with G&Z's core values, high quality products and G&Z's leadership which made his tenure at G&Z enjoyable and productive. During his 13 years at G&Z, John contributed his vast knowledge of the industry, as well as his extended family of contractor relationships positively impacting G&Z's growth. John's personal interest in the people of our industry has greatly affected the way we saw our customers. John has truly made us all better. G&Z would like to say, "Thank you, John, for all of your years of service to the concrete industry and for all that you have done to make G&Z a better company."

For those who know John, his retirement will provide a well-deserved respite from his grueling travel schedule. Please join us in wishing John a happy retirement, as well as the next chapter in his life.