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Dear Dan Darden:

Congratulations! Your company has earned NAPA's 2015 Diamond Paving Commendation for Illinois Office by renewing your participation in the Diamond Program.

Earning the Diamond Paving Commendation demonstrates to your employees, neighboring community, customers, potential customers, and the asphalt pavement industry that your company is dedicated to excellence in paving operations. The Diamond Paving Commendation is a recognition, not an award that represents your commitment to quality.

I look forward to celebrating your success at the Diamond Reception during NAPA's 61st Annual Meeting in Palm Springs, California in February 2016. Be sure to proudly wear your Diamond pin.

I hope you will continue to renew the coveted Diamond Paving Commendation every year. NAPA and I sincerely congratulate you on qualifying for the Commendation.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael M. Cote". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "M".

Michael Cote  
NAPA Chairman of the Board

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Dear Dan Darden:

Congratulations on renewing the 2015 Diamond Paving Commendation for Illinois Office. Your commitment to continuous improvement in excellent paving operations makes your company a leader in our industry. This is a success to be shared among your employees, neighbors, customers, potential customers, and the asphalt paving industry; therefore, NAPA proudly provides you with tools to help with public recognition.

To assist you with making the most of your Diamond Commendation, NAPA has created resources your company can use to publicize your accomplishment, recognize the quality of your employees, and help your company with its business development efforts:

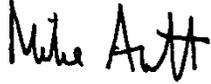
- **The Diamond Commendation Marketing Toolkit**, filled with marketing tips, sales collateral materials that explains the value of the Diamond Commendation and its meaning, an Economic Benefits Analysis for Community and Legislative Relations efforts, and Diamond Commendation logos your company may use in sales materials, your website, stationery, and more.
- **A custom NAPA press release** announcing your Diamond Commendation; a press release is provided for each division earning the commendation. NAPA and your state association can assist you with tailoring recognition in your community, such as at public municipal meetings or at your state asphalt pavement association meeting. Your press release is attached.
- **Diamond silo decals** are a highly visible way to enhance your division's image in the community. Each decal is 4'x4', self-adhesive durable 3M vinyl and may be ordered from NAPA, using the order form attached.
- **Diamond Commendation logos** can be used to create signage at your plant site, as well as on sales materials, your website, and on company clothing. NAPA has worked with Lands' End to create embroidered versions of the

Diamond logo for application on any product in the Lands' End catalog, including hats, t-shirts, jackets, luggage, golf towels and coolers. If you wish to order items from Lands' End directly, contact their Corporate Sales at 800-338-2000 and reference logo #1047121W.

A 2015 date bar for your plaque will be mailed to you shortly. If you need to order additional plaques, please contact the NAPA office at 888-468-6499.

Please continue promoting your commitment for excellence in paving operations by renewing annually.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Acott". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "M" and "A".

Mike Acott  
President

# NEWS RELEASE



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## **GALLAGHER ASPHALT CORPORATION EARNS DIAMOND PAVING COMMENDATION**

Lanham, MD — The National Asphalt Pavement Association (NAPA) announced that, Gallagher Asphalt Corporation of Illinois Office has earned NAPA's Diamond Paving Commendation.

The Diamond Paving Commendation is a nationally recognized program that focuses on training practices that result in excellence in paving operations. NAPA Chairman, Mike Cote stated, "Earning the Diamond Paving Commendation shows that contractors are committed to excellence in asphalt pavement construction practices through well-trained, well-educated workforces that puts best practices to use."

NAPA developed the Diamond Paving program in 2010. The areas evaluated through the self-assessment process are Quality Control, Work Zone Safety Practices, Site Preparation and Planning, Paver Operations, Compaction, and Training. Earning the Commendation is a mark of distinction, signifying a company that follows the blueprint for excellence in paving operations through continuous improvement.

*The National Asphalt Pavement Association is the only trade association that exclusively represents the interests of the asphalt pavement material producer/contractor on the national level with Congress, government agencies, and other national trade and business organizations. NAPA supports an active research program designed to improve the quality of asphalt pavements and paving techniques used in the construction of roads, streets, highways, parking lots, airports, and environmental and recreational facilities. The association provides technical, educational, and marketing materials and information to its members; supplies product information to users and specifiers of paving materials; and conducts training courses. The association, which counts more than 1,100 companies as its members, was founded in 1955.*