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CONCRETE CALENDAR 2016-2017

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July 18-20, 2016

First International Interactive Symposium on UHPC
Des Moines Marriott
Des Moines, Iowa

July 25-29, 2016

PCA Professors' Workshop
PCA Campus
Skokie, Ill.

July 31-August 4, 2016

AASHTO Subcommittee on Materials Annual Meeting
Hyatt Regency Greenville
Greenville, S.C.

August 28-31, 2016

AREMA 2016 Annual Conference & Exposition
Hilton Orlando
Orlando, Fla.

September 1, 2016

fib Symposium 2017
Call for papers deadline

October 3, 2016

2016 PCI Design Awards
Submission deadline

October 12-15, 2016

PCI Committee Days and Membership Conference
Loews Chicago O'Hare
Rosemont, Ill.

October 23-27, 2016

ACI Fall 2016 Concrete Convention and Exposition
Marriott Philadelphia
Philadelphia, Pa.

November 8-9, 2016

ASBI 28th Annual Convention
Long Beach Convention and Entertainment Center
Westin Long Beach Hotel
Long Beach, Calif.

November 21-23, 2016

fib Symposium 2016
Cape Town, South Africa

January 8-12, 2017

Transportation Research Board 96th Annual Meeting
Walter E. Washington Convention Center
Washington, D.C.

January 17-20, 2017

World of Concrete 2017
Las Vegas Convention Center
Las Vegas, Nev.

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easily constructible (at least most easily for the task at hand) and that the shop drawings be submitted and reviewed in a very timely manner. We often get held up in either not submitting in a timely manner or the review takes too much time. Ahead of this is submitting and getting answers on RFIs. The better and quicker the drawings become, the better chance we have to meet schedule, have a successful project, have a happy owner, and have a repeat customer. I do appreciate your tireless efforts for PCI and our industry.

Editor,

Your editorial in the Spring 2016 issue of ASPIRE™ is spot on. One thing that I think is paramount is that contract drawings are

Pat Hynes
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