



Promotion Pays!



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Durabase® CKD for stability

Some promotional efforts take awhile to get a concept accepted or a project built. This effort was very compact in its time frame, and it stayed an Ash Grove project.

The Monticello Dam Project in Lenexa, Kansas, was let in November of 2003 with 6,000 tons of Portland cement specified as soil stabilization for its dirt core. Max Rieke and Sons was the low bidder using Ash Grove for the cement. All bids were over the engineer's estimate, and a six-month negotiation took place.

When it came time to build in May, no Portland cement could be found for the project. Working with the contractor's president, Leon Rieke, John Ploehn inspected the specifications for the materials and determined that a substitute of fly ash and/or Ash Grove Durabase® CKD might be possible. John got Brady Pryor of Ash Grove Resources involved, and through his efforts in testing of the products, CKD from Chanute was found to meet the entire requirements for the material.



Ash Grove Durabase® CKD is transferred from the delivery truck to the spreading operation.



Ash Grove Durabase® CKD is placed onto the soil for stabilization at the Monticello Dam Project in Lenexa, Kansas.

The soil stabilization work has been completed this year due to the outside temperature but will continue in the spring. The stabilization work for this project should be completed early in the summer of 2005 using approximately 6,000 tons of Ash Grove Durabase® CKD from Chanute.

A cementitious company has a few more options when problems occur.

Pictured at Lenexa's Monticello Dam Project job site are, L-R: Brady Pryor, President, Ash Grove Resources; Roger Manes, Project Manager for Max Rieke and Sons; and Scott Brand, Project Manager for Black and Veatch.

