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UUCF Holds Seventeenth Annual President's Cup Golf Tournament

The Seventeenth Annual UUCF President's Cup Golf Tournament, held on September 27-29, was a lot of fun. Golfers teed off on the Squire course on Friday, Champion course on Saturday and Palmer course on Sunday at PGA National Resort & Spa in Palm Beach Gardens. The golfers were able to play all three days rain free. The weather was gorgeous each day of the tournament.

This year's tournament can be attributed to Chairman Mike Woodall's, John Woody, Inc., efforts to provide the golfers with a memorable weekend of golf. Special thanks goes to Mike for his dedication and hard work on making this tournament one of UUCF's premier events of the year. Tournament players were vying for great prizes.

The team of Jimmy Vandever and Brandon Robinson of ACT Pipe & Supply played consistently throughout the tournament. Their scores of 56 on Friday, 62 on Saturday and 58 on Sunday afforded their team as the Overall Winners of the three-day tournament.

As in the past, the tournament was a two-man team, three-day event. Each day was a different format. On Friday, the teams competed in a two-man scramble, Saturday a two-man best ball and concluded Sunday with a two-man alternate shot.

Throughout the tournament, a Putting Contest was held each day. On Friday, the winners of the Putting Contest were Bob Spink, Mike Kanaday and Richard Greer. On Saturday, the winners of the Putting Contest were Mike Kanaday, John Barry and Rick Roark. On

Sunday, the winners of the Putting Contest were Jon Woodall and Kevin Johnston.

This year, all golfers were presented with a cigar, Cigar Sponsor, Sponsored by Southern Safety & Supply, Inc., at registration on Friday.

UUCF would like to thank all our participants for coming out and enjoying a wonderful weekend of golf with us.

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Congratulations to the daily winners of the golf tournament, overall winners of the three day tournament, putting contest winners, Longest Drive winners and Closest to the Pin winners. They are as follows:

Friday, September 27, 2013

First Place Winners: Jimmy Vandever and Brandon Robinson

Second Place Winners: Mike Woodall and Jon Woodall

Putting Contest: Bob Spink, Mike Kanaday and Richard Greer

Closest to the Pin: Kevin

Johnston

Longest Drive: Brandon Robinson

Saturday, September 28, 2013

First Place Winners: Ian Schneider and Chuck Kipke

Second Place Winners: Mike and Jon Woodall

Putting Contest: Mike Kanaday, John Barry and Rick Roark

Closest to the Pin: Mark Miller

Longest Drive: Brandon Robinson

Sunday, September 29, 2013

First Place Winners: Jimmy Vandever and Brandon Robinson

Second Place Winners: Scott Huber and KC Coulthart

Putting Contest: Jon Woodall and Kevin Johnston

Closest to the Pin: Richard Greer

Longest Drive: Scott Pittman

Overall Winners of the Three-Day Golf Tournament:

Jimmy Vandever and Brandon Robinson.

UUCF thanks everyone who participated in the tournament, pledged sponsorship, prizes or donations towards the tournament. It was a successful event.

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NCCI can re-submit the rate filing to the Office and a 0.7% increase would be approved to become effective on January 1, 2014 for new and renewal business. This approval would represent a 56.0% cumulative

reduction in Florida workers' compensation rates as a result of legislative reforms introduced in 2003 and keep Florida rates comparable to other states.

"Although a marginal rate increase is necessary for worker's compensation insurance in Florida, the underlying factors causing the spike in rate increases over the last four years still merit legislative attention," stated Florida Insurance Commissioner, Kevin M. McCarty. "Evidence from the hearing demonstrated that rates could be reduced by as much as 8.3% if the reimbursement for hospital inpatient, hospital outpatient and ambulatory surgical centers were statutorily limited to 120% of Medicare reimbursement."

For more information about the 2014 NCCI annual rate filing, visit the Office's "**Past Public Rate Hearings By Date**" website page.

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11:45	Lunch – free	3:15	Safe Digging Roundtable
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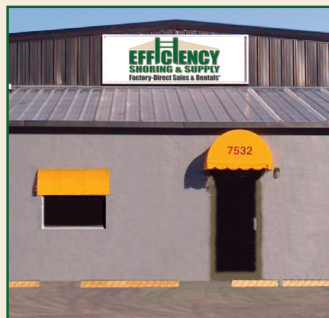


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The second Capps' generation of management can attribute their strengths to a strong foundation put into place by Ed Capps. An established excavation, material supply and hauling contractor, Mr. Capps' resume shows over 30 years of experience in North Florida construction contracting. Always operating with a commitment to long term relationships, Capps has endured a struggling economy by creating a strong family. Family to Capps not only includes our management team, but also our

subcontractors and material suppliers. As many in our industry may know, if you have done business with Capps, you have done business with Capps for many years. By keeping focus on maintaining quality over quantity business relationships, this team's mentality has been an effective business model proven through our industry's toughest times.

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Following the lead of Ed Capps, Capps' second generation, a Woman-Owned Minority Business, can appreciate much of its success to a strong, consistent working team. The core management team; April Capps, JoAnn Capps, Jason Freeman and Ray Nipper have worked as one unified group for excess of a decade. This unified core team consistently brings extensive local experience and innovative approaches to both construction and land development.

A commitment to diversity has been introduced to the Capps business model over the past decade, and the recent expansion can be appreciated to this risk. Experienced in unique civil construction, Capps can provide clients with innovative techniques beneficial to project development. A quick glance at recent contracts held by Capps include FDOT rehabilitation and construction, environmental cleanup, airport construction including working within high security zones and large multi-family underground construction while working along with ongoing vertical construction. These difficult working environments keep the management team engaged insuring production and schedule coordination.

Our industry has presented techniques to maximize construction efforts, and current Capps' management has made a shift to utilize these options. Newly acquisitioned 3D modeling software has been added to Capps' toolset,

as well as advanced continuing education opportunities for team members. Field changes include introduction of a proprietary technology, developed by a long term client's subsidiary which mulches, collects and bales landclearing debris into renewable biomass materials. This process transforms otherwise waste material into a usable biomass product, promoting green energy and offering an alternative to costly debris removal. Capps' staff has also taken advantage of technology by introducing GPS capabilities available for construction equipment. The integration of these technologies presents Capps with the ability to provide a better final product to our clients with increased efficiency.

Today, Capps looks forward to a teaming agreement with multi-national conglomerate Dragados on two large FDOT contracts, S.R.

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President's Message



Utility Contractors Bucket List

This ageing process comes

with lots of quirks; and one, among the many that I've been dealing with of late, is the "bucket list." Whether we admit it or not, we all have one. It's that compilation of ethereal places and things we must see and do before we, you know . . .

My list was lengthy even before I elevated it to the "do now" level of my burgeoning task. Now it is out of control, and that is the rub. Even if I accomplish one entry every other day, I'll be a very busy guy for much longer than odds say I have left.



"Better get started then!" says my always pragmatic better half.

That prompted some serious thought one recent

evening as I sat in an airport due to a rain delay at Hartsfield. What, I pondered, would a utility contractor's bucket list look like:

- Take my kids fishing in the next UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Annual Bass Fishing Tournament.
- Take in a NUCA conference, why not Vegas. Many of my

friends and colleagues will be there. What an opportunity to expand myself.

- Take up a new sport . . . backhoe rodeo.



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- Pack my bags and set off for a random location with no itinerary planned at all.
- Own a pet rattle snake, water moccasin or alligator.



- Participate in water sports . .

. dewatering, well points, sock drains, sump pumps.

- See snow.



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Why have a bucket list? If you don't live your days by personal goals and plans, chances are you spend most of your time caught up in a flurry of day-to-day activities. Ever feel your days are passing by without any tangible output to speak of? What were your accomplishments in the past three months? What are your upcoming goals for the next three months? Look at the things you did, and the things you're planning to do next – Do they mean anything to you if you are to . . . today? Having a bucket list reminds you of what's really important so you can act on them.

Have a great day,

*Lauren Atwell
UUCF President*

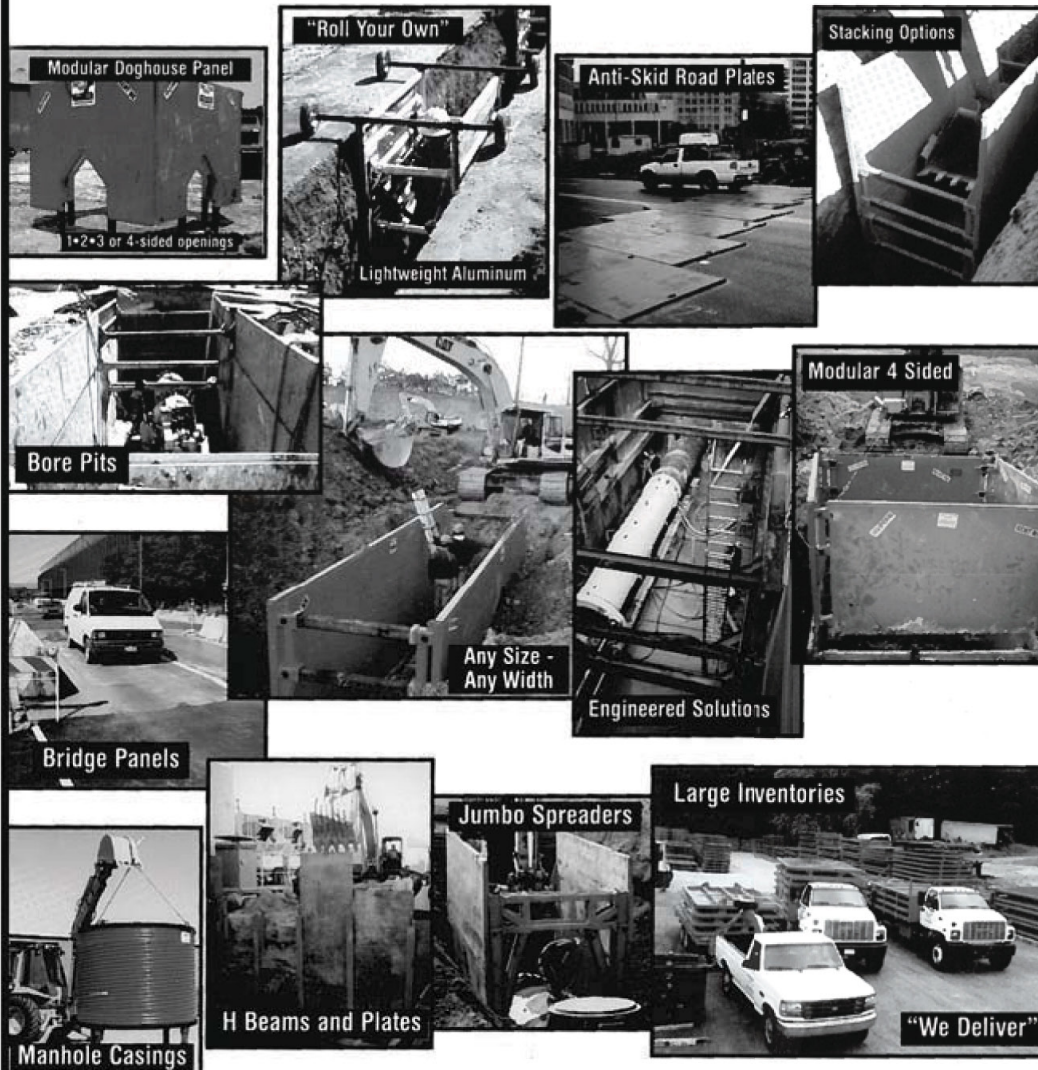
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November 6, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workers' Compensation
WEB Based class

November 7, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workplace Safety
WEB Based class

November 7, 2013

Tampa
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State Office Building
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November 14, 2013

Ocala
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November 15, 2013

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Division of Workers' Compensation
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December 4, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workers' Compensation
WEB Based class

December 5, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workplace Safety
WEB Based class

December 17, 2013

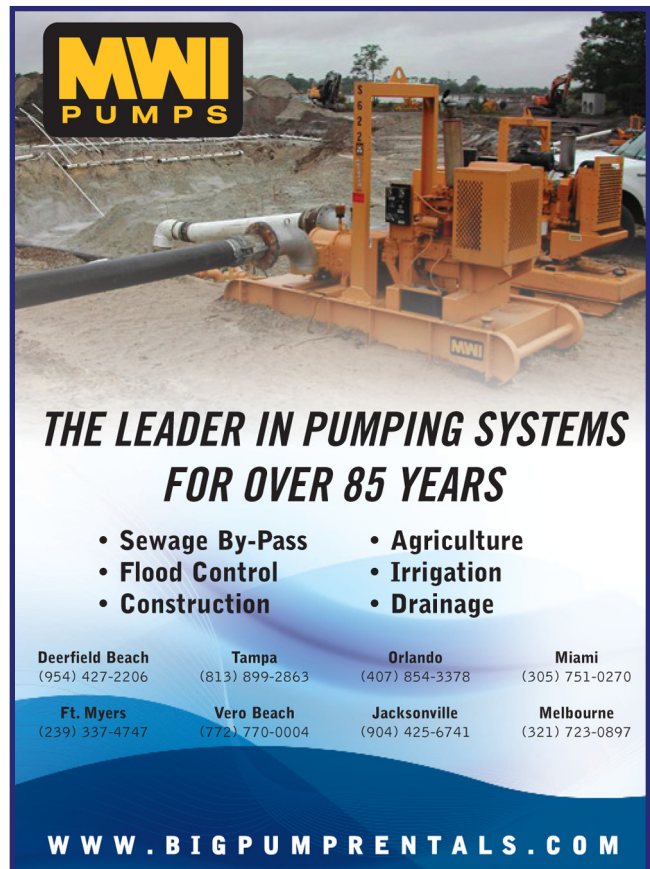
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December 19, 2013

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Calendar of Events

UUCF 2013

Nov. 1 Board of Director's Meeting, Orlando

2014

July 17 Board of Director's Meeting,
Renaissance Orlando at SeaWorld, Orlando
July 17-20 Annual Conference,
Renaissance Orlando at SeaWorld, Orlando

NUCA of North Florida

Nov. 5 Executive Committee Meeting
Nov. 21 Election of Officers
Dec. 10 Executive Committee Meeting
Dec. (TBA) Holiday Party

NUCA of Northwest Florida 2014

Feb. (TBA) Annual Meeting, Museum of Commerce

NUCA of Southwest Florida

Nov. 21 Board of Director's Meeting
Dec. 7 Holiday Party & Installation of Officers

National Utility Contractors Association (NUCA) 2014

Mar. 1-3 Convention, Las Vegas, NV
Rio Las Vegas, NV

Sunshine 811 Meetings

Oct. 18 Executive Committee Meeting,
DeBary/Conference Call
Nov. 14-15 Committee & Board of Director's
Meetings, Call Center, DeBary

Construction Industry Licensing Board (CILB) Meetings

Nov. 13-15 Embassy Suites – Fort Lauderdale,
Fort Lauderdale

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December 5, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workplace Safety
WEB Based class

January 15, 2014

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workers' Compensation
WEB Based class

January 16, 2014

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workplace Safety
WEB Based class

February 5, 2014

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workers' Compensation
WEB Based class

February 6, 2014

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workplace Safety
WEB Based class

March 5, 2014

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workers' Compensation
WEB Based class

March 6, 2014

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workplace Safety
WEB Based class

The Division of Workers' Compensation is an authorized provider (Provider Number: 0004354) for continuing education purposes through the CILB. Course Number: 0010118 – one hour satisfies the workers' compensation requirement and Course Number: 0010630 – one hour satisfies the workplace safety requirement.

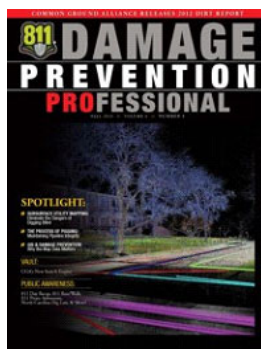
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Day after Thanksgiving Day	11/29/13
Christmas Eve	12/24/13
Christmas Day	12/25/13

2014 Holiday Calendar

New Year's Day	01/01/14
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2014 FDOT Letting Date

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July 30	August 27
September 24	October 29
December 3	

2015 FDOT Letting Date

January 28	February 25
March 25	April 29
May 20	June 17



Chapter News

NUCA of North Florida

We had a beautiful day for our Fishing Tournament at Dames Point Marina on Saturday, October 12. A delicious low country boil dinner was served after a good day of fishing by Grill Billy's BBQ. Drew Lane from Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc. was our announcer. Congratulations to the winners of this year's tournament: **Redfish: First Place** – Tony Macaluso, Beard Equipment, 4.0 lbs. **Second Place** – Charles Maguire, Coastal Utility Construction, 3.41 lbs. **Third Place** – Woody Hinson, Coastal Utility Construction, 3.24 lbs. **Flounder: First Place** – Ryan Lawrence, Besch & Smith, 2.52 lbs. **Second Place** – Evan Lawrence, Besch & Smith, 2.31 lbs. **Third Place** – Grady James, 2.0 lbs. **Trout:**

First Place – Bo Andrews, Flagler, 5.27 lbs. **Second Place** – Mary Worley, United Rentals, 2.68 lbs. **Third Place** – Mark Fletcher, Gate, 1.76 lbs. **Other Species: First Place** – Dick Torske, Barco-Duval, 10.32 lb., Bonnet Shark. **Second Place** – Joann Capps, Capps Land Management, 4.37 Triple Tail. **Third Place** – Tom Kayser, 2.79 lb. **Jack Redfish Most Spots:** Tom Travers, Atlantic Supply, 2 Spots. **Kid's Prize:** Kyia Durry, Ring Power Corp, 1.62 lbs. Flounder.

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Ed Porter and his committee, Ashton Milam, Lauren Atwell, Eric Schmidt, John Shiver, David Peacock, Drew Lane, Grant Adams, Jennifer Setzer, Jeff Flowers and Tripp Brown.

Our election of officers meeting will be held on Thursday, November 21 at Maggiano's at the Town Center at 6:00 p.m. Our guest speakers will be Ted Rice with the FDOT and Janet Duffy with Eisman & Russo Co-Chairman of the N.E. Florida Construction Career Days.

We are having our Holiday Party, Cruising into the Holidays, on Tuesday, December 10 beginning at 6:30 p.m. We will have a two hour cruise on the St. Johns River aboard The Foxy Lady. Tickets are \$50 per person and include two drink tickets and appetizers. The boat leaves from the dock behind River

City Brewing Company. A limited number of \$500 Event Sponsorships are available.

Have you registered yet for the 2014 NUCA Convention to be held at the Rio All Suite Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas March 1-4? The first 200 to register receive \$100 off of the registration fee. This year, you receive a complimentary one day pass to CONEXPO with your registration. All education and training tracks are included in your registration fee from NUCA's 10 hour and CPT Safety Training, NUCA Crew Leader training and NUCA's Institute for Leadership Development. Registration is available now at www.nuca.com.

NUCA of Northwest Florida

NUCA of Northwest Florida held its Third Annual Equipment Rodeo at the Escambia County Equestrian Center on October 12. Our thanks goes out to Coastal Machinery and Cowin Equipment for providing the equipment

used for the event. The **First Place Winner** of our main competition was Robert Davis. **Second Place Winner** was Jeff Mayhair and **Third Place Winner** went to Jeff Godwin. The **Team Event Winner** was Brown Construction of NW Florida, and **Second Place Winner** went to Utility Service Company. We also held a competition for the ladies on a **Zero Turn** and **First Place** went to Megan Hall, representing Holland Pump. The men's **Zero Turn Winner** was Chuck Nelson with Utility Service Company. The winner of the **Men's Novice Competition on a Mini Excavator** went to Matt Hall with Holland Pump.

A big thank you to our sponsors this year. The **Excavator Sponsors** were Beard Equipment Company, Brown Construction of NW Florida, Cowin Equipment Company, Daniels Commercial Insurance and United Rentals.

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UUCF 2014 Conference

UUCF will be holding its 2014 Conference at the Renaissance Orlando at SeaWorld in Orlando, Florida on July 17-20. UUCF has secured a room rate of \$119.00 per night.

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Throughout the next several months, the committee will start working on

the details of the conference.

The Hotel Registration Form should be available at the beginning of January. Watch your e-mails and future issues of the *Ditchmen* for additional information.

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The **Backhoe Sponsors** were Gulf Coast Traffic Engineers, HD Supply Waterworks, Kelson Electric, Rubber & Specialties, Sunshine 811, Thompson CAT and Tractor & Equipment Company. And our **Small Equipment Sponsors** were John Woody, Inc., Rudd & Son, Smith Blair and Starr Pipe Products. We thank each of you for making this year's event possible.

Our Annual meeting and Officer Installation will be held in February in Biloxi, MS. Our Board is in the process of making the final arrangements for this event.

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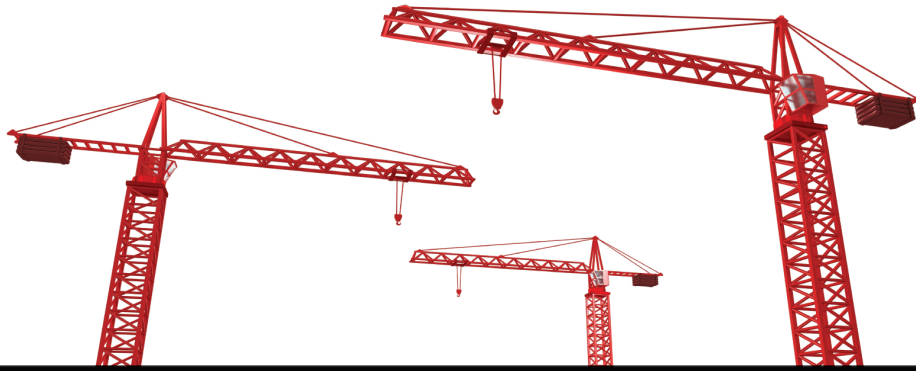
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