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Shilstone and Contek have joined forces!

The Shilstone Companies Inc and Contek Inc, two of the construction industry's leading providers of mix design software and consulting services mark a major milestone by joining forces. This venture will usher in a new era in high tech quality management software solutions. "By joining Shilstone's experience and concrete mix technology to Contek's software expertise, we are creating tremendous value for the concrete industry", quoted the two companies in a joint statement released earlier this week.

The Shilstone name has figured prominently in the construction industry for over 80 years, spanning three generations. Jim Shilstone was recently named one of the top ten most influential people in the concrete industry. The Shilstone's consulting specialties include architectural concrete, concrete mixture proportioning, quality control/quality assurance and troubleshooting problems. For over 20 years The Shilstone Companies developed and distributed the "see" series quality control software for concrete and aggregate producers. Shilstone's **seeMIX** software for Portland cement concrete mixture optimization has long been recognized as providing industry-wide leadership for advanced concrete technology

Contek, based out of Montreal Canada, has provided the construction industry with highly specialized Quality Control and Mixture management software for over a decade. Their beginnings are rooted in both materials testing lab and software services which have grown significantly over the years to meet the changing needs of concrete, asphalt and aggregate producers. The **LABsys** technology is focused on helping clients leverage their QC data more effectively to improve material performance and consistency. Contek has always taken a special interest in developing strong alliances with innovative and forward thinking companies in the market. They have collaborated with industry leaders such as Chryso Admixtures, Marcotte Systems, Jonel Engineering and most recently Systech Inc.

"It's a perfect match", says Jay Shilstone President of the Shilstone Companies Inc. Both firms are passionate about promoting quality control and mix design analysis as a core component of every aggregate and concrete operation. We are poised to bring to the industry the next generation of QC and design software products.

This is the dawning of a new era in materials testing and design software.

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