

BREAKING GROUND

OWENS CORNING NEWARK, OHIO

ConTrak managed the construction of Owens Corning's corporate warehouse and distribution facility in Newark, Ohio in collaboration with CRI Newark LLC. The warehouse also serves as storage space for Owens Corning's materials and products. The 159,600 square-foot building features a metal roof to correspond with its pre-engineered metal structure. The project began in mid-December and was completed in June 2007. Meacham & Apel was the architect. Carey Realty Services was the developer.

Owens Corning, based in Toledo, Ohio, produces and distributes commercial, industrial and residential pipe wrap insulation and duct liner at the facility. Owens Corning employs 19,000 people in 26 countries.

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Owens Corning, Newark, Ohio



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*"Imagination is more important than knowledge.
Knowledge is limited. Imagination encircles the world."*

– Albert Einstein

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THE CONTRAK PROFILE

Name

Dale Robbins

Title

Project Superintendent



Time with ConTrak

One year

Years of Construction Experience

37 years

Notable ConTrak Projects

Owens Corning warehouse project – Newark, Ohio
Evans Scholars at The Ohio State University – Columbus, OH

Education

Robbins attended Columbus State Community College and he has more than 20 years of project superintendent experience in central Ohio.

Professional Affiliations

Member of the Builders Exchange of Central Ohio

Family

Robbins and his wife of 35 years have two children, a son and a daughter.

Quote

"I view a project's schedule as an end result. Anything I can do to beat that schedule is my goal."

TAKE NOTE

WAREHOUSES INCREASINGLY SOPHISTICATED

Passersby may look at a warehouse and see nothing more than a big box building. In Newark, Ohio, they would be making an incorrect assumption when it comes to the Owens Corning warehouse, a project recently completed by ConTrak.

Owens Corning had an existing warehouse at a different location but was looking to eliminate a step from production to storage. ConTrak built a 159,000 square-foot building addition that allowed Owens Corning's product to roll off the line and into a warehouse. In fact, aisle ways in the existing and new buildings were aligned and graded to make the transition between the two seamless.



The outside of the new building was fabricated with pre-cast concrete forms, which created a more durable structure and helped the project schedule move along. According to ConTrak's Josh Wilhelm, a project engineer and on-site safety leader, the pre-cast forms were chosen because this phase of construction took place in the winter. "Masonry wasn't an option because of the weather," said Wilhelm.

Project specifications called for 50 x 60-foot bays that had a 25-foot clearance height. A total of 11 truck bays were added – three to the existing building and eight more in the addition. Steel was used to create spans of open space that forklifts could move freely in while loading and unloading trucks. Owens Corning then went to the added expense of an automated system to operate the truck bay doors.

Another expected feature of a warehouse—row after row of racks—is not present in the new facility. Owens Corning's product can be stacked so racks are not necessary in this facility, providing more open work space in the building.

Complementing the sophistication of the building's construction are both a two-tier lighting system and fiber optics that run in conjunction with software systems. The two-tier lighting is motion activated, saving energy in areas of the facility where no work is being done. Fiber optics and software work together to determine the order trucks are unloaded and what forklift driver is assigned to which truck upon arrival.

"The planning and construction of this warehouse allows for a better, more productive environment all the way around," added Wilhelm, who noted that the Owens Corning facility is insulated, unlike most warehouses. "It is really an impressive building."

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PROJECT LOG

CLIENT..... Samuel Manu-Tech Inc. – Heath, Ohio

PROJECT..... ConTrak was retained to act as the inspection agency for Samuel Manu-Tech Inc.'s new 151,000-square-foot facility. ConTrak is responsible for the overall cost control, schedule and documentation of the project. Within this new facility, completed in May, Samuel Manu-Tech processes flat-rolled steel. Carney Ranker Architects Ltd. was the architect.

CLIENT..... Delaware Bank – Columbus, Ohio

PROJECT..... ConTrak has completed construction of a new branch of the Delaware County Bank & Trust located at 1942 Polaris Parkway in Columbus. It is a full-service bank branch with a drive-through ATM and night depository stations. It also features a conference room and office space. ConTrak collaborated with Meacham & Apel Architects Inc. on the 1,517 square-foot branch.

PROJECT STARTS

CLIENT..... Evans Scholars – Columbus, Ohio

PROJECT..... Groundbreaking on the three-story, 30,000 square-foot Evans Scholars dormitory is scheduled for September. The building, which is in the heart of the Ohio State University District on 16th Ave., poses a restrictive site challenge for ConTrak as the general contractor on the project. Prior to the groundbreaking, ConTrak handled the demolition of two existing buildings to make way for the new. Feinknopf Macioce Schappa are the architects on the project.



Evans Scholars - Columbus, Ohio

CLIENT..... Immokalee Senior Housing – Immokalee, Florida

PROJECT..... ConTrak is serving as the owner's representative for the Immokalee Senior Housing center. The new 30,000 square-foot facility features 30 units for seniors, common areas and laundry facilities. SLA Architects, of Miami, Florida, are the architectural partners.