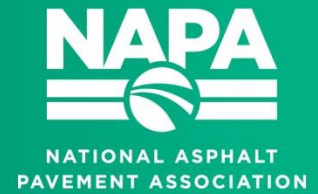


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**GALLAGHER ASPHALT CORP. Earns Diamond Achievement
Sustainable Commendation**

Lanham, Md. — The National Asphalt Pavement Association (NAPA) announced that Joliet Plant, Gallagher Asphalt Corp., Thornton, IL has earned NAPA's Diamond Achievement Commendation for Excellence in Asphalt Plant/Site Operations and the Diamond Achievement Sustainable Commendation.

The Diamond Achievement Commendation recognizes responsible asphalt operation practices and cultivates good community relations. As NAPA's Chairman John Harper stated, "Earning the Diamond Achievement Commendation enhances both the image of your individual facility and the image of the asphalt pavement industry. It clearly demonstrates a commitment to excellence with a community focus".

In its 20th year, the NAPA Diamond Achievement Commendation is a self-assessment process addressing five essential facets of the asphalt plant/site: appearance, operations, environmental practices, safety, and community relations. Earning the Commendation exemplifies the asphalt plant's commitment to excellence and continuous improvement in all aspects of facility operations and community relations.

The Diamond Achievement Sustainable Commendation is available only to asphalt plants that have earned the Diamond Achievement Commendation. It recognizes a company's environmental, economic and social sustainable practices.

Joliet Plant, Gallagher Asphalt Corp. has joined the elite ranks of the asphalt industry by earning the coveted Diamond Achievement and Diamond Achievement Sustainable Commendations. All asphalt plants/sites are eligible to earn the Commendations. The standard of excellence is challenging, but can be accomplished with genuine dedication to responsible practices and continuous improvement.

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