

## QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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### SEATTLE HOME SHOW HIGHLIGHTS



#### The 62nd Annual 2006 Seattle Home Show

This year a representative for GMC-CMI, LLC attended the Seattle Home Show to bring you news on the latest in construction technology. These three new products that follow are highlights of construction devices that make the process of building easier, faster, and less expensive.

**Fab-Form™** Industries Limited is selling a new method for creating forms for concrete. Typical construction frames footings, slabs, and columns using lumber, form boards, and dug hollows. **Fab-Form™**'s products skip the labor and materials involved in "framing" these construction components by using fabric attached to 2" by 4" lumber or studs to create a channel for wet concrete. **Fastfoot®**, **Fast-Tube®**, **Fast-Edge®**, and **Fastbag®** are all new products in their line of easily installed forms for pouring footings, columns, slabs, and pier pads. Not only do these products

cut down on materials, but they also cut labor costs by creating a more efficient way of forming for concrete pours. The **Fab-Form™** system is less expensive than lumber, prevents rising damp, is fast to install and strip, is lightweight, and protects the concrete from mud in winter and rapid hydration in summer.

Who knew that something that looks like an oversized Lego block would create a solution for constructing retaining walls, barriers, and bulkheads? **Kelley™ Blocks** has developed a new block that in its standard form comes 4' by 2' by 2' and weighs 2000 pounds. Knobs atop the block interlock with corresponding recesses in the bottom of the next block so the blocks can be easily and securely stacked upon each other. Tubes running through the blocks allow for extra reinforcement when necessary. **Kelley™ Blocks** come in a variety of sizes, shapes, and styles to accommodate needs for any builder.

Another highlight of the Seattle Home Show was **R-Control® Structural Insulated Panels** or **SIPS**. SIPS are made of Perform Guard® Polystyrene Insulation between two pieces of OSB or plywood. They can be used for walls, roofs and floors and out-perform traditionally framed and insulated walls. **R-Control® SIPS** are an extremely strong insulated panel that can stand up to wind, snow, and seismic activity while saving money in the long-run with lower utility bills. The inside environment of a home is more easily controlled as **R-Control® SIPS** which prevent cold spots that are typically found in traditional framing. SIPS also assure you of straight, flat walls without bulges because of their continuous wood surface. Not only are **R-Control® SIPS** energy efficient, strong, and high-quality, but they also save money on labor costs as they are faster to build with than traditional framing materials.



Fast-Form, Fast-Tube for Columns



R-Control SIPS



Kelley Blocks

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