

Summit Materials Announces Recent Acquisition of Norris Quarries

Washington, D.C., March 19, 2012 - Summit Materials is pleased to announce the recent acquisition of the aggregates operations of Norris Asphalt Paving Company. The aggregates business, which is based in Cameron, Missouri, has 19 sites throughout northwest Missouri with over 110 million tons of permitted limestone reserves and will operate as Norris Quarries, LLC. Norris Asphalt Paving Company retains its asphalt and paving services business based out of Ottumwa, Iowa.

Tom Hill, CEO of Summit Materials, commented, "We are delighted to expand our presence in Missouri with the addition of Norris Quarries, a first class operation. The addition of Norris Quarries is a great fit with Summit's existing businesses in Kansas and Missouri and we look forward to the continued growth of the business."

Pat Garrett, Vice President of Norris Quarries added, "We are very happy to team up with Summit and look forward to continuing to provide the highest quality products and service to our many customers."

About Summit Materials:

Summit Materials was formed in 2009 to develop a leading business in the aggregates and heavy-side building materials sector through strategic acquisitions. Summit Materials was founded by its CEO Tom Hill and a group of investors that include members of its management team, Blackstone Capital Partners V L.P., and Silverhawk Capital Partners. Tom Hill is the former CEO of Oldcastle Inc., the U.S. division of CRH, Plc.

To date Summit Materials has completed 21 acquisitions, and through its three regions, East, Central, and West, it conducts operations in Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia, Kansas, Missouri, Utah, Wyoming, Colorado, Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Iowa, and Idaho.

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