

## **CalPortland**

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### **Company Description**

CalPortland is the largest supplier of cement, ready-mix concrete, sand, gravel and rock in the Pacific Northwest. The Oregon-Southwest Washington division includes a cement terminal in Lower Albina, an aggregate mining and processing facility near Scappoose and 14 ready-mix concrete plants in the Portland metropolitan area, including southwest Washington. CalPortland's Front Avenue ready-mix plant also acts as a receiving and distribution yard for sand, gravel and rock transported by barge.

### **Transportation and Location Requirements**

Cement is a global commodity. The Lower Albina cement terminal imports cement mostly from Asia and distributes it by truck and rail throughout the Portland metro area and across the Pacific Northwest. Its location at the hub of international shipping, rail and interstate highway networks provides critical access to its customers across the metro area and the entire region.

CalPortland's Front Avenue ready-mix plant also receives sand and gravel – the raw material for concrete – barged up the Willamette River from the Santosh aggregate facility near Scappoose. Each barge load represents up to 100 truck-and-trailer loads transported by water instead of local roads.

### **Community Benefit**

CalPortland provides approximately 450 family-wage full-benefit jobs in the Portland area. CalPortland's operations in the Portland Harbor allow distribution of necessary and widely-used construction materials – cement, sand, and gravel – into the region by water instead of road, alleviating congestion in the transportation network and keeping prices competitive. CalPortland and others are essential suppliers to Portland's construction industry, which is dependent on the products they bring into the market.

### **Sustainable Practices/Recent Investments**

CalPortland is an industry leader in energy efficiency and in recycling construction materials. Nationally, CalPortland has been designated an Energy Star Partner and has received an Energy Star award from the EPA for each of the last 18 years. In the Portland harbor, the company has invested millions of dollars in state-of-the-art storm and process water management systems at both the Front Avenue concrete plant and the River Street cement terminal. Much of the process water at Front Avenue is re-used in fresh concrete, which reduces both water discharge and demand. The River Street terminal's comprehensive recycling program has reduced its waste stream by 60%, earning a certified recycler designation from the City of Portland. For further information, see CalPortland's website at [www.calportland.com/sustainability](http://www.calportland.com/sustainability).