

Southern California CCM in the Spotlight



“My interest and involvement in CMAA began in 2002. I was then the Resident Construction Manager for the first two phases of the Pier 400 Container Terminal Design-Build Project in the Port of Los Angeles for owner Maersk Pacific, Limited. The program won the 2003 National CMAA Award for Excellence in Program Management. Pier 400 is the largest proprietary container terminal in the world and is located on 484 acres with 17 buildings and gate facilities and a combined footprint of 290,000 square feet. It was completed 13 months ahead of the owner’s original schedule. When we were invited to the

Washington, DC, National CMAA Conference to receive the award, I was awestruck at the sight of a room full of people in the same line of work. I joined CMAA shortly after that and found out about the CCM certification program. I was recently re-certified and look forward now to mentoring others into this great program. CMAA certification has made the difference in securing my new assignments at both LAX and the John Wayne Airport”.

John Sohn, CCM, has over 35 years of experience in the construction industry. He is currently the design manager for the Terminal and Parking Structure at John Wayne Airport for Parsons Corporation. Mr. Sohn started out as a field superintendent on the Washington, DC Metro and has worked on a number of other large and significant projects including the elevated structures of the Metro Blue Line and Green Line and the tunnels and stations on the Metro Red Line of the Los Angeles subway program, the Design-Build program for the structures on Pier 400 at the Port of Los Angeles and the TBIT Modernization Program at LAX. Other assignments included communications site surveys in South Viet Nam, restaurant design and construction for Marriott Corporation and MacDonald’s Corporation and oversight roles for the Caltrans Storm Water Task Force, the TSA Baggage Screening Rollout Program and the Orange County Fire Authority campus in Irvine.

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