

## Press release

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**Swedish family owned group expands**

## **Thomas Concrete Group continues to grow in USA**

**The Georgia based subsidiary of the Swedish Thomas Concrete Group has acquired the assets of Georgia Transit Mix, LLC dba Williams Bros. Concrete, a US company which operates 3 concrete plants in Georgia. As a result, the Thomas Concrete Group is strengthening its position in Atlanta.**

Williams Bros. Concrete is a ready-mixed concrete producer operating three active plants in Cumming, Acworth and Jasper with 31 mixers and the acquisition of Williams Bros. Concrete will reinforce the Group's already strong position in Georgia.

"We see an upswing in the US market," says Hans Karlander, President and CEO at Thomas Concrete Group AB. "The acquisition of the assets of Williams Bros. Concrete fits well within the Thomas family. We now enjoy a strong position in a growing market and we will be able to deliver an even better service to customers and increase our reach. In line with our overall strategy, the newly acquired plants will be operated under the Thomas Concrete brand, consistent with the rest of the Group's operations."

Atlanta has a growing population and expanding economy, with substantial investments in housing, logistics and commercial projects which result in increased demand for building materials. The Group now operates a total of 63 plants in Georgia, South Carolina and North Carolina.

The Group has 133 plants in Sweden, Poland, Germany and USA; and is the largest independent provider of ready-mixed-concrete in these markets. In Sweden, it also operates two plants for pre-casted concrete and owns a rock quarry in Norway.

With this extensive network of plants, the Group has a local presence close to customers and construction sites, reducing transportation distances. As the concrete market is essentially local in character, proximity to its customers gives the Group a key competitive advantage, as well environmental benefits.

"We have a strategy of responsible growth and building a stronger Group. Our success is based on us delivering value to our customers every day as we continue to earn the Concrete Specialist title", adds Karlander.

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**Thomas Concrete Group AB**

*Thomas Concrete Group is a Swedish family-owned company that produces and distributes high-quality concrete for cast in place construction. The company was established in 1955 in Karlstad, Sweden, by Martin Thomas and currently operates in the USA, Poland, Germany, Norway and Sweden. Headquarters are in Gothenburg, Sweden. The Group has 1,350 employees and produced 3.2 million m<sup>3</sup> of concrete in 2014, with sales of approximately SEK 3.2 billion (~ EUR 350 million).*

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