

North Mechanical and Anvil Score Big in Super Bowl Project Kickoff

Partners Tackle Space, Time Constraints Together with Grooved Piping Solution

To complete a new JW Marriott hotel in Indianapolis, **North Mechanical Contracting** chose **Anvil's** Gruvlok product to provide the kind of performance and value required to keep the project on time and within budget. The \$450-million hotel and convention center project was smack in the center of Indianapolis' crowded downtown area and had to be completed a full year ahead of the 2012 Super Bowl there. Complicating matters further, North also had to provide services to other Marriott hotels within the same complex that would open a year before the marquee JW Marriott property, compressing North's timeframe considerably.

"We have a 30-plus-year track record installing grooved piping systems," said Rod Foley, project manager for North Mechanical. "We knew that grooved would save us time and labor costs, two things very important on this job," so North selected Anvil's Gruvlok products.

2012 Super Bowl Brings Need for New Lodgings

When Indianapolis won the bid for the 2012 Super Bowl, the city realized it likely didn't have enough hotel rooms to accommodate the more than 100,000 people expected to come to town for the big game. The city selected Marriott Corporation to build a 1,005-room, luxury JW Marriott property near Lucas Oil Field, home of the Indianapolis Colts

and site of the 2012 Super Bowl. The glass curtain wall project broke ground in May 2008.

North provided plumbing and mechanical systems for the convention center, as well as full infrastructure HVAC and plumbing for the existing buildings and the new hotel in the complex. While weld pipe was included in the original bid, North wanted to use as much

time- and labor-saving grooved piping as possible to help meet the tight timeframe. "Everything North needed was available in the Gruvlok line," said Kyle Crawford, Anvil Mechanical Specialist. Gruvlok products used by North Mechanical in the Marriott project included 3"-12" couplings and fittings and Anvil pipe supports, both clevis-type and roller hangers.

Ready for Some Football!

The project was completed in December 2010. "Anvil kept everything moving," said Foley. "They provided a value product that worked as promised and was delivered to meet our product schedule. We plan on using Anvil products on our upcoming Indianapolis Veterans Administration hospital chiller replacement project."

Now, Indianapolis has another luxury hotel property to welcome guests for the Super Bowl in 2012.

Greg Fuller, president of North Mechanical and an MCAA Board Member, will discuss how his company successfully uses integrated project delivery—a collaborative process involving all the participants early in development—on September 13 at MCAA's 2011 Mid-Year Conference in Indianapolis, IN (visit www.mcaa.org/education for more details). For more information about Anvil, visit www.anvilintl.com.



North Mechanical Contracting chose Anvil's Gruvlok product to stay on time and within budget for a new luxury JW Marriott hotel and convention center in Indianapolis (shown here under construction)—which is now ready to welcome more than 100,000 people when Super Bowl 2012 kicks off.