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## DEP RECOGNIZES SKANSKA USA FOR OUTSTANDING RECYCLING RATE

*~Construction company paves the way for recycling in Florida~*



**From left to right: Keyna Cory, Florida Recycling Partnership executive director; Jon Steverson, Department of Environmental Protection secretary; Carissa Agnese, Skanska USA Civil Southeast regional environmental manager; Todd Jernigan, Skanska USA Civil Southeast environmental health and safety manager, Choctawhatchee Bay Bridge; Karen Moore, DEP recycling administrator.**

**TALLAHASSEE, Fla.** – Today, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection Secretary Jon Steverson presented Skanska USA Civil Southeast Inc. with a Recycling Recognition Award to honor the company for an outstanding 98.7 percent recycling rate on two construction projects. Secretary Steverson presented the award to Skanska at the Florida Capitol as part of the Florida Recycles Day celebration.

“I applaud Skanska for its outstanding recycling efforts,” said Secretary Steverson. “Recycling redirects waste from Florida’s landfills and stimulates growth in Florida’s economy by creating local, well-paying jobs.”

Skanska USA, one of the largest construction and development companies in the United States, attained an exceptional 98.7 percent recycling rate while improving a 3.4-mile section of US 331 over the Choctawhatchee Bay in Walton County. In addition to recycling nearly 35,000 tons of construction and demolition debris, the project team also reused excess embankment material,

recycled asphalt, and procured steel and plastic marine lumber made with a high percentage of recycled content. The company also achieved a 98.7 percent recycling rate during reconstruction of a 4.1-mile stretch of I-275 in downtown Tampa. The project team recycled more than 10 tons of typical office materials and more than 96,000 tons of construction material. For decades, Skanska has been a pioneer in developing environmentally responsible, innovative green projects.

“We are committed to identifying sustainable solutions that help protect our environment and improve the communities where we build for generations to come,” said James Goyer, vice president of Florida Operations at Skanska USA Civil Southeast Inc. “For our Florida team to receive this award from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection is truly an honor.”

Skanska USA is one of 35 organizations to be awarded a recycling recognition award. The department has an easy tool for companies to track their recycling efforts – the [Florida DEP Business Recycling Tracking Tool](#). Through the website, companies can track various recycling efforts and produce reports on how those efforts are helping to shrink their carbon footprint. For more information about Florida's recycling efforts, click [here](#).