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## NEW NAME AND WEBSITE

## FOR PPI DIVISION

IRVING, TX – May 17, 2019 - The Plastics Pipe Institute, Inc. (PPI) announced that its Corrugated Plastic Pipe Association (CPPA) Division has become the Drainage Division of PPI. In addition to the new name announcement, the division introduced its new website at the association's annual meeting held in Naples. Florida, May 6 - 8, 2019. PPI is the major North American trade association representing all segments of the plastic pipe industry.

"These two initiatives were undertaken in part because of the dynamic nature of this group of PPI members," stated Tony Radoszewski, CAE, president of PPI. "Ever since CPPA was formed, it has continued to grow along with the need and demand for large diameter pipe in stormwater management projects. For decades, the division has focused on drainage whether it be to increase crop yield, provide a path for roadway runoff, construct underground detention basins or long-life culverts. The new division name was chosen to better distinguish the markets served by its members, which remain the gravity flow storm water, culvert, and drainage markets. And to further expand its leadership position in the industry, the Drainage Division has also greatly expanded its website content while making it easier to use."

The updated website contains specific areas devoted to culverts and highways, storm sewers, stormwater management plus agricultural and turf drainage.

"Our members spent hundreds of hours reviewing the technical and application information in our data base," stated Daniel Currence, P.E. director of engineering for the drainage division of PPI, "in order to place it in the appropriate areas to make it easy to find and access."

Another key component of the new website is the sustainability area. "PPI, our division and our industry feel that it is extremely important to push for more use of post-consumer recycled resin," Currence stated. "It is a fact that our industry currently processes 25 percent of all post-consumer HDPE bottles and converts them into products used in underground infrastructure."

Additional information can be found at: <u>www.plasticpipe.org/drainage</u>.

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Proudly displaying the new PPI Drainage Division sign are, left to right, Tony Radoszewski, CAE, president of PPI, Daniel Currence, P.E. director of engineering for the Drainage Division and TJ Leason of Pacific Corrugated Pipe, who served as Chairman of the Management Committee during the name change process.

## About PPI:

The Plastics Pipe Institute, Inc. (PPI) is the major North American trade association representing all segments of the plastic pipe industry and is dedicated to promoting plastic as the materials of choice for pipe and conduit applications. PPI is the premier technical, engineering and industry knowledge resource publishing data for use in the development and design of plastic pipe and conduit systems. Additionally, PPI collaborates with industry organizations that set standards for manufacturing practices and installation methods.

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