

New Solution Available For Cold-Weather Asphalt, Concrete Repairs

(NAPSA)—Repairing holes and cracks in concrete and asphalt driveways, sidewalks, parking lots and other surfaces is tricky enough when the weather is balmy. When winter comes, forget it. Most pavement repair products simply don't perform well when applied in cold weather—that is, until now.

Even professional road repair crews historically have experienced problems filling potholes and cracks during winter months. When temperatures dip below 40 or 45 degrees Fahrenheit, these crews usually rely on a "cold-mix" asphalt compound for road repairs.

While cold-mix patches do offer a temporary solution, they don't deliver the long-term performance achieved by using "hot-mix" asphalt. That's why you'll often see city and highway maintenance personnel returning in spring and summer months to re-pair the potholes they filled in winter.

Homeowners and building owners face the same dilemma. Most do-it-yourself asphalt and concrete repair products are designed strictly for warm-weather application. However, holes and cracks are more likely to occur during winter months when pavement surfaces are subject to repeated freeze/thaw cycles. This means that inconvenient and sometimes even dangerous holes and cracks can be left lurking around for months.

There is a solution, though. USG Corporation has just introduced a product designed expressly for cold-weather driveway, roadway and pavement repairs. This breakthrough product utilizes a proprietary phosphate binder system based on a technology licensed from Argonne National Laboratory. It not only enables property owners to complete cold-weather pavement repairs with relative ease, but also delivers a stronger, longer-lasting patch than conventional repair materials.



The product, called MONO-PATCH® Cold Set All-Surface Repair, can be used on asphalt, concrete, tile and masonry surfaces. It is already receiving rave reviews from city, municipal and state highway maintenance personnel. The Department of Transportation in Minnesota—one of the coldest states in the country—is using it successfully for cold-weather highway repairs throughout the state.

The beauty of the product is that it requires no heavy equipment to apply or special training to use. As such, it offers homeowners and building owners an ideal solution for achieving long-lasting cold-weather pavement repairs.

Like other pavement repair products, the cold-set compound is available in 50-lb. bags. The compound is mixed with water per bag instructions. The resulting slurry is then simply poured into the damaged area. The repair will set and be ready to use within 30 to 40 minutes.

The repair bonds better and is stronger than even conventional warm-weather asphalt or concrete repair products. And, unlike conventional repair products, it can be used with equal success on both asphalt and concrete.

For more information about MONO-PATCH Cold Set All-Surface Repair, call USG at 1-800-487-4431.