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## All-Time Record for Kuhlman Corporation for Continuous Concrete Pour

In just 12 hours, from midnight to noon on Wednesday, August 22, 2018, Kuhlman Corporation supplied 4,907 cubic yards of concrete to the crews of contractor Rudolph Libbe for a continuous foundation pour at the [Cleveland-Cliffs new IronUnits \\$700 million hot-briquetted iron \(HBI\) production plant in Toledo](#). Equal to 25 miles of concrete one foot high by one foot wide, Kuhlman Corporation set an all-time high record for their largest continuous concrete pour, exceeding 4,700 yards delivered to the Enrico Fermi Nuclear Power Plant in 1972 and 4,000 yards delivered to NorthStar Steel in the mid-1990's.

The concrete is now part of a huge foundation (9.5 feet thick x 15,000 square feet) for the plant's new shaft furnace, part of the core equipment which will have the capacity to produce 1.6 million metric tons of HBI per year according to Cleveland-Cliffs. Three Kuhlman Corporation plants, including two large portable plants on Front Street, were dedicated to the project. Because concrete emits heat as it cures, Kuhlman's facilities supplied chilled water (38°F) to ensure this large quantity of concrete would remain within the required engineering specifications. Eighty people – over half of Kuhlman's workforce – were either on site at the plants, delivering concrete or stationed at the jobsite. The massive effort included 49 trucks delivering 476 truckloads of concrete at an average rate of 470 cubic yards per hour. (For perspective, the average new home project typically requires 50-150 yards of concrete.)

“Challenges like this provide companies a chance to truly fine-tune their operations,” noted Tim Goligoski, President of Kuhlman Corporation. “I couldn't be more proud of everyone involved – from the extra effort in planning, logistics and contingency strategies to the herculean effort of the midnight start through mid-day completion. This bodes well for Toledo, this project and our people since there is so much more construction work ahead and concrete to place for Rudolph Libbe and Cleveland Cliffs.”

[Click to view video footage showing two of the three concrete plants in action, which Kuhlman specifically erected for Rudolph Libbe near the Cliff's jobsite.](#)

### About Kuhlman Corporation

[Kuhlman Corporation](#) dates to 1901 and has been producing ready-mixed concrete since 1928. Today, the firm employs 150 people and operates several related businesses in Northern Ohio, Southeast Michigan and Southwest Florida. Kuhlman Corporation is one of Northwest Ohio's:

- Largest producers of [ready-mixed concrete](#).
- Most diversified wholesale distributors of quality construction materials for the concrete/masonry and water/sewer trades.
- Leading suppliers and haulers of quality sand and gravel.
- Best known bulk material operators, running one of the largest and most accessible bulk warehouses on the Great Lakes.

Now in its fifth generation, Kuhlman Corporation remains a family-owned and operated business, headquartered in Maumee, Ohio.

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