PROJECT SPOTLIGHT

Slenderwall included in award-winning office park

The Northridge at Westfield
Office Park has been awarded the
2007 National Association of
Industrial and Office Properties
(NAIOP) Award of Merit for the
Best Speculative Building R & D for
Phase 1 of the project.

Smith-Midland fabricated and installed traditional architectural precast concrete wall panels as well as the Slenderwall panels for the construction for the three Northridge at Westfield office buildings in Fairfax, Va. The Northridge contract was worth more than \$1.7 million.

The Northridge project involved three separate office buildings, each of which was a one-level-high flex office and industrial building.

Finished in late 2007, the project used 386 Slenderwall panels with Second Nature architectural precast concrete brick finish totaling 66,296 ft² (6159 m²). Second Nature is a Class A architectural precast concrete brick finish that features no leaking brick joints.

The buildings were also designed with knock-out panels so that the owner can change the building's configuration in the back of the building. The knock-outs can be removed, providing flexibility for the potential tenants to customize the space to their needs, such as openings for garage doors or additional office storefront windows.

NAIOP awards recognize significant new contributions to northern Virginia by the commercial and industrial real estate community. The owner of the project is Duke Realty Corp., the architect was Architecture Inc., and the general contractor was Trinity Group Construction.

-Source: Smith-Midland Corp. press release



The Northridge at Westfield Office Park in Fairfax, Va., received a National Association of Industrial and Office Properties award. Photo courtesy of Smith-Midland Corp.