A Complex Set of Criteria is no Match for Stonchem 403

On the banks of Canada’s Athabasca River lies one of the world’s most productive, technologically advanced paper pulp mills. Alberta Pacific Forest Products produces more than half a million tons of pulp each year used to make paper products distributed worldwide.

When new secondary containment areas were proposed for Alberta Pacific, planners were faced with a complex set of criteria to consider while evaluating product choices for the application. First, the product would have to resist the chemical corrosives and thermal cycling that would occur within the containment areas. It was also imperative that the product be able to withstand the extreme seasonal freezing and thawing cycles that the mill experienced due to its geographic location. Additionally, the freshly poured concrete substrate contained many air voids that would have to be addressed before a lining could be applied. And finally, the company’s strong corporate environmental policy guided their search toward safer solutions. When facility planners discovered Stonhard’s Stonchem 403 lining system, they realized that all their needs could be met with one solution.

Stonchem 403, a 100% solids polyurea lining system, provides a durable, flexible, waterproof membrane that can withstand significant impact and abrasion. Its unique formulation allows it to be installed in varying environments, including the cold and dampness the facility experiences. And, Stonchem 403’s extremely rapid cure rate allowed production to resume with minimal downtime. In addition, the Stonchem primer that was used to prepare the surface of the concrete for application also filled in the air voids that were left in the surface.

Planners and management at Alberta Pacific Forest Products were extremely pleased with their experience working with Stonhard. Stonchem 403 met all their needs and exceeded their expectations. Additional work was contracted with Stonhard for the acid pump trenches, as well as concourses, ramps, retail operations and restaurants.
Stonchem 403 met all performance and durability expectations for Alberta Pacific’s secondary containment areas.

The Stonhard Difference
Stonhard is the unprecedented world leader in manufacturing and installing high-performance polymer floor, wall and lining systems. Stonhard maintains 300 Territory Managers and 175 application crews worldwide who will work with you on design specification, project management, final walk through and service after the sale. Stonhard’s single-source warranty covers both products and installation.