



Innovative Partnering Completes Indianola Water Treatment Plant

Henkel Construction Company recently completed a new water treatment facility for Indianola Municipal Utilities in Indianola, Iowa. The \$6.2 million facility was designed by Veenstra and Kimm, Inc. of West Des Moines. The 40-acre site includes the water treatment building, a 100' x 116' clear well and lime sludge holding ponds. The project includes nearly 4,000 cubic yards of structural concrete, most of which was poured during the fall and winter of 1996-97.

The facility treats and softens water from municipal wells using two large cone softening units. The water is then pumped through recarbonation and filtering tanks before entering the clear well where it is held before it is sent to the water towers throughout the city.

To help assure quality on-time results, the entire construction team entered into a partnering agreement. This innovative partnering process provides a mechanism for welding project owners, contractors, architects, engineers, subcontractors and suppliers into team members with common goals. The team signed a charter setting goals and objectives for the project and spelling out how they will be attained.

Construction began in June of 1996 and the plant was put into service in March of 1998, three months ahead of schedule.

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Henkel Construction Company is a full service general contractor based in Mason City, Iowa.

Henkel builds high quality structures for commercial, institutional, heavy-highway and industrial clients throughout the Upper Midwest and, for some clients, nationwide.

"We were very pleased with the overall experience of working with Henkel. Their accelerated schedule was in everyone's best interest."
Brad Butler,
Chairman of the Board of Trustees,
Indianola Municipal Utilities