



Stalco Construction breaks ground on \$5 million, 15,100 s/f medical/research building; Project team: nf architectural designs, Krupnik, RMS, and Mottola Rini

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Developer Whitetop Mountain Professional Properties and general contractor Stalco Construction have broken ground on the new \$5 million, 15,100 s/f 226 Middle Country Rd. Medical and Research Building in the village of The Branch. The building will house two tenants, North Shore-LIJ Health System diagnostic imaging center and the headquarters and product research and development facilities of MIDI, a medical, life sciences and home healthcare-product development consulting firm.

Whitetop principal Christopher Montalbano said, "We are excited to begin the development of the new building, which will complement other medical services facilities already established in the area."

"226 Middle Country Rd. is the cornerstone of Whitetop Mountain's strategy of developing properties for the medical services and product research & development industries," said Whitetop principal Gregory Montalbano. "Our firm focuses on building a portfolio of real estate facilities designed specifically for healthcare, research, and professional services tenants in the greater New York region."

Alan Nahmias, president of Stalco, said, "The architecture of the new one-story building will reflect the colonial feel of the historic village of The Branch neighborhood, which dates back to the late 1600s. The building's façade will feature brick face, columns, and other ornamental architectural elements prevalent in the landmark structures neighboring the new development."

The structure will house medical services and research & development facilities. The foundation will feature reinforced-concrete footing and foundation walls. The building will have a steel structural system and six-inch metal frame exterior walls with brick veneer as well as colonial-looking Fypon PVC trim to reflect the heritage of the neighborhood. The façade will also showcase masonry elements, columns, two separate Kawneer architectural aluminum and glass entrances, and split-faced block as well as EIFS (exterior insulation and finishing system) in certain areas. The roof will feature ornamental fencing and railing by Fypon.

Stalco project manager, John Furey, said, "The project will include new landscaping and a new surface parking lot for employees and visitors, new curbs, new exterior lighting, and a connection easement road to provide courtesy access for a church located adjacent to the property." Additional site work will include a new keystone retaining wall on the southeast corner of the property.

Construction superintendent Michael Marchese said, "The team will install new utility connections - power, water, and telecommunications. The property will feature its own septic and sewer system, and crews will install an irrigation system for lawns, shrubs, and trees planted at the site."

In addition to general contractor Stalco Construction, the project team includes architect nf

architectural designs, structural engineer Design Bureau of Leonid Krupnik; civil engineer RMS Engineering; and mechanical, electrical and plumbing (MEP) engineer Mottola Rini Engineers.

The North Shore-LIJ Health System diagnostic imaging center will be a 10,000 s/f facility that will feature state-of-the art radiology and diagnostics equipment and modern, convenient interiors. North Shore-LIJ Imaging Centers are the only ACR-designated Centers of Diagnostic Excellence on Long Island and offer access to the largest group of fellowship-trained, sub-specialized radiologists in Suffolk County.

MIDI is an award-winning, FDA- and ISO-compliant, strategic, turn-key product development consulting firm with over 40 years' experience servicing domestic and international clientele representing the medical, life sciences, and home healthcare markets. Its Fortune 500 clients include GE Healthcare, Siemens, and Johnson & Johnson. MIDI has generated over 500 patents for its clientele with more than \$500 million in equity through device revenue and intellectual property.

The firm's headquarters will feature an open-space layout, particularly in the design studio section, to promote innovative thinking. It will also house the company's engineering and design lab, which uses a computer-controlled rapid prototyping development process that includes 3D printing. MIDI provides laboratory testing of all prototypes to prepare for clinical trials. The space will house MIDI's mechanical and electrical engineers, software programmers, industrial designers, ergonomics and product design specialists, marketing specialists, and experts in VOC analysis (Voice of the Customer) that support concept and product development.

Stalco Construction, Inc.

Headquartered in Islandia, NY, with a regional office in New York City, Stalco Construction, Inc. is a full-service general contracting and construction management firm active in the Greater New York area and on Long Island. In 2014, Building Design & Construction magazine ranked Stalco as the 101st largest general contractor in the United States. ENR New York magazine ranks Stalco as the 52nd largest contractor in the NY/NJ/CT Tri-state area.

Established in 1992, the firm builds commercial and institutional facilities for office, retail, educational, healthcare, governmental, entertainment, sports and worship clients. Stalco's personnel include professional engineers, architects, project managers, superintendents, and support staff. The value of the firm's on-going ground-up, interior, and capital improvement projects totals approximately \$140 million.

Stalco's affiliate, Stalco International Group, designs and erects custom engineered buildings for developers and architects of commercial, office, institutional, public, and industrial structures. Stalco works in a partnership with Varco Pruden Buildings, a division of BlueScope Buildings North America, a world leader of the pre-engineered buildings industry.

Since the firm's inception, its leadership and employees have been involved in supporting the local community through responsible corporate citizenship and charity work. The company's principals, Kevin G. Harney and Alan Nahmias, co-founded Contractors For Kids (CFK), a not-for-profit organization supported by nearly 300 Long Island-based construction and real estate organizations. CFK provides assistance to children and their families impacted by health-related crisis.

Stalco's current and recent work includes the \$8.4-million Battery Park City Community Center and the \$15-million restoration of the landmark Pier A in Manhattan; the \$24-million renovation of the Vaughn College of Aeronautics and Technology in Queens, NY; the new, \$5.2-million Emergency Department at the Lincoln Medical and Mental Health Center in the Bronx; the \$16.5-million renovation and expansion of the Long Beach High School in Lido Beach, NY; the \$1.4-million Home Fair store at the Atlas Park Mall in Queens NY; the Ultra Diamonds jewelry store in Riverhead, NY; the \$11.3-million renovation of the landmarked Erasmus Hall High School in Brooklyn, NY; the on-call Construction Management contract for the 780,000-square foot CA, Inc. Global Headquarters in Islandia, NY; and the \$30-million expansion and renovation program for the Three Village Central School District in Suffolk County.

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