heavy-haul freight, light-rail and transit, high-decay areas and severe chemical environments.

**Omega Industries, Inc.**

Omega Industries, Inc., is close to launching its newest product, which will be a tieless crossing system placed directly onto a prepared subgrade. This system is designed to eliminate the need for crossties, tie plates and ballast, which in turn, would save time and money during the installation. This system is made to work well in heavy-load situations such as industrial plants and ports where container carriers tend to punish standard crossing panels.

"Business in general is off to a very good start this year," explained Matt Motola, national sales manager. "We are experiencing our busiest spring to date and expect the remainder of the year to bring more of the same. If this is an indication of where our economy is heading, I would say it's a step in the positive direction."

**OMNI Products, Inc.**

OMNI Products, Inc., offers a complete product line and can custom blend rubber in-house for better electrical resistance on both its concrete and rubber grade crossings.

As for concrete products, the company manufactures TracCast™, a "rubber style" tieless concrete crossing, ECR concrete crossings with embedded rubber, common standard concrete with bolt-on rubber and improved concrete with full-depth virgin rubber on both sides of the rail.

**Polycorp Ltd.**

Polycorp Ltd. has developed a new removable rubber crossing system for use in concrete road surfaces. The system allows the rubber railroad to be removed, repairs to be made and the rubber reinserted in a fraction of the time it takes for traditional repair work, notes the company. This new design allows for overnight rail and fastener repairs to be made without costly detours and rush-hour road closures.

**BODAN Highway-Rail Grade Crossing Safety System**

- **Safe:** pre-engineered and custom safety features and skid-resistant surface
- **Strong:** internal welded steel resists flexural loads and supports HS 25 traffic
- **Modular:** panels can be easily removed and reinstalled for routine track maintenance
- **Durable:** durable polymer concrete panels are impervious to salts, diesel fuel & moisture

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**Transpo Industries**

Transpo Industries offers its T28 Color Safe Surface (color pavement) for pedestrian crossings, which is said to increase delineation and safety. Its high-friction granular surfacing material provides a skid-resistant surface.

Karen Dinitz, marketing director, notes that more railroads are looking for reduced-maintenance and longer life for crossings surfaces. She also sees a definite uptick in interest when it comes to HS line and sees the trend holding steady for the future. More pedestrian warning and crossing safety features like surface-mounted flashing warning LED lights offered with Transpo's Bodan® system, Dinitz says are what railroads are looking for.

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