PaveDrain, LLC Announced as Winner of Imagine H2O Competition


“Imagine H2O is a global conduit for water entrepreneurship and innovation,” explains Tamin Pechet, the organization’s Chairman and Co-Founder. “Our programs support entrepreneurs who establish financially viable solutions while creating jobs and generating economic activity.”

Since its inception in 2008, Imagine H2O has:
- Attracted over 200 water startups from more than 15 countries to its competition program
- Provided over $1 million of in-kind services and cash awards to more than 25 new businesses
- Helped its portfolio companies attract over $15 million in investment from angel investors, venture capital funds and project finance funds
- Offered campus water entrepreneurship workshops to over 1,000 students

Doug Buch, (left) President of PaveDrain, LLC, receives award from Scott Bryan, COO of Imagine H2O for winning the Imagine H2O Early Revenue Track for 2012.

Doug Buch (holding microphone) after being announced as the winner stated “The PaveDrain System solves multiple environmental problems with one intuitive, simple solution that does not increase costs. It’s a compelling product for developers, municipalities, and land owners, anybody that owns land with a paved surface. It can be a key component to helping companies and municipalities from around the U.S. meet and exceed criteria for the Clean Water Act. We believe it can become a paving revolution.”

About Imagine H2O
Imagine H2O inspires and empowers people to solve water challenges and turn them into opportunities. We offer annual competitions for water innovation with focused, specific challenges including Water Efficiency (2009), Water-Energy Nexus (2010), Wastewater (2011) and Consumer Innovations (2012). In addition to cash prizes for the best ideas, the Imagine H2O Accelerator helps participating entrepreneurs turn their plans into game-changing, real-world solutions. To learn more about Imagine H2O’s global ecosystem for water innovation and connect with water entrepreneurs from around the world, please visit www.imagineh2o.org.