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Deceuninck North America, Tri-State Wholesale Building Supplies Provide Sustainable Window Systems to Cincinnati Habitat for Humanity for Home Reconstruction Project

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Monroe, Ohio, June 21, 2011 – [Deceuninck North America](#), a leading designer and manufacturer of high-quality systems for windows, doors, interiors, and outdoor living; and [Tri-State Wholesale Building Supplies, Inc.](#), a manufacturer and distributor of a large selection of exterior building products for both remodeling and new construction, are demonstrating their commitment to sustainability and their role as responsible manufacturers by participating in the "G²OTR Project: LEEDing the Way in Historic Renovation and New Construction."

Organized by Cincinnati Habitat for Humanity and sponsored by Proctor & Gamble, the project is focused on transforming two vacant and historic houses in Cincinnati's Over-the-Rhine neighborhood into affordable, energy-efficient homes for low-income families. Deceuninck and Tri-State are supplying energy-efficient vinyl window systems to be incorporated into the reconstruction of both homes.

At 2:30 p.m. on **Thursday, June 23**, representatives from both companies will conduct a window walk from Tri-State's manufacturing facility to Elm Street and deliver the windows to the homes, thereby replacing traditional shipping and reducing the project's overall carbon footprint.

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The renovations are receiving recognition from the United States Green Building Council (USGBC), which has named the effort its Legacy Project for the 2011 “Greening the Heartland” Conference, being held June 22 to 24 in Cincinnati.

“At Deceuninck North America, sustainability is part of our covenant with our customers and with the environment. We are always seeking ways to empower both builders and consumers to construct a more sustainable home,” said Filip Geeraert, CEO of Deceuninck North America. “Our eco-friendly window systems are serving as an important component to this reconstruction project, and we are proud to team up with Tri-State Windows so that Habitat for Humanity can turn what was an empty structure into an energy-efficient home for a family in need.”

“The homes on Elm Street are using Tri-State’s Earthwise Equator windows, which are Energy Star-approved and have earned the *Good Housekeeping* Seal. They provide excellent resistance to thermal conductivity and are maintenance free. They will not corrode, pit, or rot, and they will never require painting,” said Kathy Caldon, president of Tri-State Wholesale Building Supplies. “At Tri-State, we maintain a solid reputation for assisting and supplying historically approved products to efforts such as these, and we are proud that the Earthwise vinyl windows were the perfect fit for this Habitat project.”

For more information on Deceuninck North America, along with its fenestration and building products solutions, please visit www.deceuninck-america.com.

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About Deceuninck

Deceuninck® North America, LLC is part of the Deceuninck® Group, an integrated global organization specializing in compounding, tool fabrication, design, development, extrusion, finishing of PVC-U window systems and composite applications for the building industry. The company is active in more than 75 countries, has 35 subsidiaries (production and/or sales), and is supported by over 2,800 personnel worldwide. In 2010, Deceuninck Group achieved consolidated sales of \$706 million worldwide. Deceuninck® North America encompasses fully-integrated design, compounding, tooling, extrusion and quality assurance disciplines for the production of vinyl window and door systems and composite applications for the building industry at its corporate headquarters in Monroe, Ohio. For more information, please visit: www.deceuninck-america.com.

About Tri-State Wholesale Building Supplies, Inc.

Tri-State Wholesale Building Supplies is a family-owned and -operated company that has been serving the tri-state area for 41 years (24 years from the same location at Central Avenue and Liberty in Cincinnati, which is just to the West of Over-the-Rhine). The company has earned a solid reputation for supplying products to projects that maintain the integrity and fabric of historic Cincinnati neighborhoods. A manufacturer of Earthwise windows, the company also distributes a large selection of building materials for both remodeling and new construction, including windows, siding, doors, railing, awnings, decking, enclosures, and more.

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