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***CONSOLIDATED CARPET SUPPORTS HURRICANE KATRINA RELIEF
PROJECT:
DONATED MATERIALS FOR REBUILDING OF 7 FIREHOUSES IN NEW
ORLEANS***

NEW YORK—March 17, 2008—Consolidated Carpet (Consolidated) is proud to announce that the firm has donated carpet and flooring materials in support of a massive rebuilding effort to restore New Orleans' firehouses destroyed in Hurricane Katrina.

This contribution included carpet, carpet tile, Ardex and specialty flooring for the seven firehouses. This donation was made as part of **The Firehouse Rebuilding Project**, which involved the reconstruction of seven firehouses in New Orleans, Louisiana.

THE FIREHOUSE REBUILDING PROJECT INITIATIVE

Hurricane Katrina destroyed 22 of the 33 engine houses in New Orleans. Efforts at rebuilding began in December 2005, but the initial progress was slow. In 2006, Gerry Crimmins, an instructor at the New York City District Council of Carpenters Labor Technical College, became involved with the project and began organizing volunteer groups to help build the firehouses, with a new team arriving every four or five weeks. The New York City Union Carpenters and Contractors, in partnership with the Leary Firefighters Foundation of New York, reached out to vendors such as Consolidated Carpet to donate materials as part of The Firehouse Rebuilding Project initiative. This project involved the construction of seven new firehouses in New Orleans, astonishingly over the course of eight months.

David Meberg, President & CEO of Consolidated Carpet noted, "It is an honor to be part of such a worthy cause. We are proud to take part in restoring confidence to a city whose infrastructure was in desperate need of reconstruction."

ABOUT CONSOLIDATED CARPET: A NATIONAL LEADER WITH A TRADITION OF SERVICE

Consolidated Carpet is the nation's premier full service flooring and carpet contractor, with headquarters in the New York. As a third generation, family-owned and operated business we are hands-on, accountable and driven to satisfy our client's needs. As one of the nation's largest and most recognized full-service floor covering contractors, we serve our clients from planning and specification through installation and maintenance. Our prestigious clients include Fortune 500 corporations, professional service firms, luxury hotel properties, institutional properties, real estate owners, and general contractors. The firm's website can be found at www.consolidatedcarpet.com.

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