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CONSOLIDATED CARPET LEADING THE FLOORING INDUSTRY IN SUSTAINABILITY PRACTICES

NEW YORK—August 25, 2009 - Consolidated Carpet (Consolidated) is pleased to announce the launch of a new corporate sustainability program. To help achieve this, Consolidated Carpet has commissioned a sustainability consultant to develop the best sustainability program in the industry by reviewing both its professional practices and its daily business operations. As one of the nation's largest full-service floor covering contractors, Consolidated Carpet leads the industry in environmentally conscious programs and is committed to providing innovative sustainable and reclamation services for every project.

Consolidated Carpet is proud to be at the forefront of carpet reclamation, or recycling unused carpet. The company has been collecting used carpet for reclamation studies since the late 1980s and is considered a national leader in the flooring industry. Today, Consolidated Carpet has partnered with the industry's leading manufacturers to assist in the collection process of used carpet to supply feed stock for some of the most innovative recycling programs in the flooring business. In 2008, Consolidated Carpet achieved its goal of diverting more than one million pounds of used flooring materials from landfills – and is continuing its commitment to protect and preserve the environment with expanded sustainability goals.

Company Practices

In addition to assisting clients to select sustainable products and dispose of old flooring in an environmentally friendly manner, Consolidated Carpet continually works to improve its internal corporate practices. The executive team has created an internal "green team" to foster employee-driven initiatives throughout Consolidated Carpet to incorporate an environmental perspective into the company's daily operations. Additionally, Consolidated Carpet has set a goal to become a "green facility" by reducing waste in its offices and warehouses, minimizing energy usage and better managing potable water usage, among other initiatives.

Installation

Consolidated Carpet strives to be environmentally aware installers. When providing estimates for projects, the team at Consolidated Carpet provides precise material estimates which eliminate excess scrap waste and transportation costs. Consolidated Carpet also installs using low-VOC adhesives and self-leveling materials whenever possible. Because the company's installers are trained in these practices, project teams pursuing LEED certification can be confident that Consolidated Carpet will abide by LEED VOC requirements, and thus contribute to their certification goals.

Green Projects

Consolidated Carpet has contributed to successful green projects for a number of clients that sought to reduce the environmental impacts of their daily business operations. Green flooring materials provided and installed by Consolidated Carpet reduce the amount of toxic materials in these indoor spaces and the use of recycled content minimizes the amount of raw materials needed for production. Consolidated Carpet's green engineering and installation services have been utilized in numerous projects including One Bryant Park, Columbia University Faculty House, JP Morgan Chase at 270 Park Avenue and Morgan Stanley at 55 East 52nd Street.

For more information Consolidated Carpet and the new corporate sustainability program, please visit the Sustainability section on the firm's website at www.consolidatedcarpet.com or call (212) 226-4600.

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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