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**DEADLINE APPROACHES FOR
INNOVATION AWARDS SUBMISSIONS
*ENTRIES DUE BY SEPTEMBER 15***

WESTPORT, Connecticut...September 4, 2008 — Time is running out to submit entries for the 2009 AHR EXPO® Innovation Awards competition. The Innovation Awards are an industry-wide competition designed to promote and encourage product innovation.

Now in its seventh year, the Awards recognize the most innovative products among the thousands on display at the AHR EXPO (www.ahrexpo.com). The nine Innovation Awards categories are:

- Building Automation
- Cooling
- Green Building
- Heating
- Indoor Air Quality
- Refrigeration
- Software
- Tools & Instruments
- Ventilation

Exhibitors can submit one product per category and winning products from the previous year are not eligible. For complete rules as well as the Innovation Award Exhibitor Entry form, visit www.ahrexpo.com/innovation. All entries are due by Monday, September 15.

A panel of judges will review and evaluate all submissions based on the products' innovative design, application, value to end users and market impact. Winners of the Innovation Awards will receive special

placards to place in their booths as well as an etched crystal award to be displayed in their company headquarters. In addition, one of the nine winners will be selected as the 2009 AHR EXPO Product of the Year.

All entry fees from the AHR Innovation Awards will be donated to a worthy cause in the Chicago area. Since the conception of the program, thousands of dollars have been donated to several technical schools' scholarship funds.

“The Innovation Awards have a positive impact on the entire HVAC/R industry,” said Clay Stevens, President of International Exposition Company, which produces and manages the AHR EXPO. “The awards serve to encourage manufacturers to continue developing advanced technologies.”

About the AHR EXPO

As the largest and most comprehensive HVAC/R exposition, the AHR EXPO (www.ahrexpo.com) attracts tens of thousands of attendees from all facets of the industry, including contractors, engineers, dealers, distributors, wholesalers, OEMs, architects and builders, industrial plant operators, facility owners and managers, agents and reps.

Since 1930, the AHR EXPO has been the HVAC/R professional's best resource for new products, new ideas and new services. It's a hands-on, interactive event that showcases a wide spectrum of equipment, systems, and components. This unique industry forum creates a dynamic marketing environment unequalled in size and scope by any other industry event.

In addition to receiving the endorsement of 30 leading HVAC/R industry associations, the Exposition is co-sponsored by the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) and the Air-Conditioning, Heating and Refrigeration Institute (AHRI). The Heating, Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning Institute of Canada (HRAI) is an honorary sponsor. ASHRAE's winter meeting is also held concurrently with the AHR EXPO each year.

The AHR EXPO is produced and managed by International Exposition Company, 15 Franklin Street, Westport, CT 06880; telephone: 203-221-9232; fax: 203-221-9260; e-mail: info@ahrexpo.com; website: www.ahrexpo.com.

The AHR EXPO's ENDORSING ASSOCIATIONS include:

1. AABC (Associated Air Balance Council)
2. ABMA (American Boiler Manufacturers Association)
3. AMCA (Air Movement and Control Association International Inc.)
4. AFE (Association for Facilities Engineering)
5. BI (BACnet International)
6. BPI (Building Performance Institute)
7. CABA (Continental Automated Buildings Association)
8. CTI (Cooling Technology Institute)
9. GreenMech (Green Mechanical Council)

10. GridWise™ Architecture Council
11. HARDI (Heating, Airconditioning & Refrigeration Distributors International)
12. HVI (Home Ventilation Institute)
13. IAQA (Indoor Air Quality Association)
14. IIR (International Institute of Ammonia Refrigeration)
15. LMA (LonMark Americas)
16. MCAA (Mechanical Contractors Association of America)
17. MSCA (Mechanical Service Contractors of America)
18. NADCA (National Air Duct Cleaners Association)
19. NAFA (National Air Filtration Association)
20. NATE (North American Technician Excellence, Inc.)
21. NEBB (National Environmental Balancing Bureau)
22. PHCC (Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors Association)
23. RPA (Radiant Panel Association)
24. REHVA (Federation of European Heating and Air-conditioning Associations)
25. RETA (Refrigerating Engineers & Technicians Association)
26. RSES (Refrigeration Service Engineers Society)
27. SMACNA (Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors' National Association)
28. SPIDA (Spiral Duct Manufacturers Association)
29. TABB (Testing, Adjusting and Balancing Bureau)
30. USGBC® (U.S. Green Building Council)
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