

ALLSTEEL MEETS NEW BIFMA SUSTAINABILITY STANDARD

(MUSCATINE, IA—JUNE, 2008)—Allsteel has achieved another major environmental benchmark, certifying product to the current Business & Institutional Furniture Manufacturers Association (BIFMA) Sustainability Standard. It is among the first companies to certify its environmental performance claims through Scientific Certification System (SCS) Sustainable Choice™ program, and its Align, Concensys and Terrace 2.6 and Terrace 3.4 workstation systems have met the qualifications for Silver level.

Developed in response to the increasing demand for proof that manufacturers are living up to their environmental claims, BIFMA's new Sustainability Standard provides measurable market-based definitions of progressively more sustainable furniture. The Standard was developed using an open, consensus-based process with a broad and diverse group of stakeholders from academia, the architect and design community, end users, regulatory agencies, federal and state government agencies, and certifiers. The performance criteria it has established, and which SCS Sustainable Choice vigorously applies, address environmental, economic and social aspects throughout the supply chain based on materials, energy and atmosphere, human and ecosystem health, and social responsibility.

Upon earning the SCS certification to the current version BIFMA standard, Mike Veal, Allsteel's Vice President Sustainability and Alliance Partnerships, said, "Firsts continue to define Allsteel, and confirm our position as a leader in sustainability."

He continued, "From top management down, we are driven to develop performance products and workplace solutions that will have reduced impact on the environment. The commitment we've made to our customers and their clients is that our products will respect the environment for this and future generations."

About Allsteel Inc.

Allsteel Inc. designs, builds and delivers progressive and relevant workplace furniture solutions. The company has Resource Centers in Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Dallas, New York, San Francisco, Santa Monica, Washington, D.C., and Toronto, ON.

About BIFMA

BIFMA is a not-for-profit organization that provides an effective forum for members to cooperate and collaborate on appropriate industry issues. As an ANSI accredited standards developer, BIFMA develops voluntary product and industry standards that support safe, healthy and sustainable work environments. BIFMA also publishes key industry statistics; advocates for legislation and government regulation that have a direct impact on the health of the industry; and facilitates meaningful dialogue and education to support its core services and the industry.

About SCS

For over two decades, Scientific Certification Systems (SCS) has developed internationally recognized certification programs aimed at establishing the highest levels of environmental improvements, social accountability, and product performance. As the leader in third-party, independent green building product certification, SCS was the first company to offer manufacturers a program for verifying the accuracy of environmental claims on products. For more information, contact 510) 452-8000 or visit www.scscertified.com.

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