

ALLSTEEL INTRODUCES MERGE™: A TABLE COLLECTION FOR BETTER USE OF TIME AND SPACE

New Family of Tables Offers Inspired Solutions for Everywhere Work Happens

Muscatine, Iowa – *June, 2006* – Work happens everywhere – private offices, conference rooms, workstations and common areas – requiring spaces, furniture and tools that encourage collaboration, planning, brainstorming and decision making. As individual workspaces continue to shrink and the need to leverage technology grows, using space wisely is even more vitally important. Allsteel's new Merge™ tables make more efficient use of time and space in informal conference rooms, private offices and workstations by offering better work and collaboration solutions for shrinking workspaces and technology management.

“The Merge collection offers real world practical solutions in all the places work is being done,” said Mark Roumfort, Allsteel Vice President, Systems and Storage. “This new table collection offers the unique combination of innovation and advanced functionality that companies want integrated into their individual and group workspaces. They meet varying needs throughout the office footprint – from on-demand additional workspace, to simple user height adjustability, to effectively managing equipment and cables in group work areas – resulting in better and more efficient team collaboration and increased productivity.”

Introduced at NeoCon, Merge will offer an extensive selection of versatile tables, including three innovative models: Power Bay, Adaptive and Height-adjustable.

- *Power Bay.* Merge conference tables have hidden power bay and tops that easily slide open and closed – storing and providing immediate access to the most common collaboration technology tools. The tables also provide wire and cord management eliminating the ‘snakes nest’ of wires commonly found.
- *Adaptive.* Merge mobile tables convert any space (private office, workstation, etc.) into a meeting space by quickly and easily changing from stowed, to docked, to free-standing. A 36” round can drop a leaf, and effortlessly rise and literally ‘dock’ level with most other tables or desks, making any area ready for an impromptu meeting or additional workspace.
- *Height-adjustable.* Merge tables are a fast, easy and cost-effective way to support requirements for user-controlled height adjustability from sit to stand thanks to a simple trigger latch. This gravity-driven ‘lift and release’ mechanism adjusts individual legs instantly and easily from a standing position.

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Merge tables exceed BIFMA standards and are backed by Allsteel's lifetime warranty. Die-cast and extruded aluminum components are lightweight, yet highly durable. The table collection encompasses a broad range of shapes, sizes and finishes to suit a wide variety of applications. Options include a selection of leg and base styles and finishes, and a useful variety of table surfaces, including laminate, seamless thermofoil and veneer. The latter surface features a proprietary ClearTech™ finish for rugged scratch and stain resistance.

Allsteel's Merge collection of versatile tables will be available for order this Fall.

About Allsteel

Allsteel Inc. designs, builds and delivers workplace furniture solutions with advanced functionality and lifetime durability. The company has Resource Centers in Chicago, Dallas, Los Angeles, New York, San Francisco and Washington, D.C. For more information on Allsteel, visit www.allsteeloffice.com.

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