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**ALLSTEEL PRODUCTS ACHIEVE SCIENTIFIC CERTIFICATION
SYSTEMS' (SCS) INDOOR ADVANTAGE™ GOLD CERTIFICATION**

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Muscatine, Iowa – *June, 2006* — As part of its ongoing commitment to developing environmentally responsible products and processes, Allsteel is participating in Scientific Certification Systems' (SCS) Indoor Advantage™ air quality certification program.

Allsteel selected SCS – a leading third-party, independent organization for certifying environmental achievement in product manufacturing – because its program certifies results for individual product components in addition to fully assembled products. It also provides detailed analysis of a comprehensive range of chemicals rather than a simple pass/fail for only the most common. This level of detail enables Allsteel to identify opportunities to work with its suppliers to improve environmental performance along the entire supply chain.

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“We looked at other certification programs before making the decision to move ahead with SCS’s Indoor Advantage,” said Scott Lesnet, Allsteel Environmental Affairs Manager. “This certification employs the most comprehensive test protocols, and its component-based testing provides us with exceptional flexibility in designing environmentally responsible products. It’s much more effective to build in low emitting materials up front than replace problem materials at the end of the development process.”

“It also allows us to help designers and clients earlier in the design process – while they’re evaluating products and finishes to specify,” according to Jan Johnson, Allsteel Vice President Marketing. “Because we have component data, we can model the probable total emission rate of any unique combination of components and finishes while designers and clients are still deciding parts, pieces and finishes during the specification process.”

“This new testing approach allows designers and clients to select products that meet and/or exceed the most rigorous indoor air quality requirements and support the health and well-being of those who occupy work environments,” added Lesnet.

SCS’s highest level of indoor air quality certification – Indoor Advantage Gold – demonstrates conformance with *two levels of emissions standards*: (1) (USGBC) LEED-CI Credit EQ4.5 Option B (systems furniture and seating) and BIFMA x 7.1 low-emitting office furniture and seating; and (2) the State of California 01350 Special Environmental Requirements and the Collaborative for High Performance Schools (CHPS); *California 01350 / CHPS represent the most stringent standard in North America.*

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About Allsteel Inc.

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.

About Scientific Certification Systems

SCS is an internationally recognized independent certifier of environmental and food safety claims. Over two decades, SCS has developed standards and offered certification programs spanning a wide cross-section of the economy including agricultural production, forestry, fisheries, energy, consumer products, manufacturing and retailing, and the home improvement and construction sectors. For more information about SCS and its certification claims, visit www.scscertified.com.

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