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Wilsonart Advances Industry First Offers FSC-Certified Wilsonart® High Pressure Laminate Products

Temple, Texas, **October 1, 2010** – Wilsonart International announces that all of its Wilsonart® Premium High Pressure Laminate (HPL) products will be sold with full FSC-certification beginning October 1 at no additional charge.

FSC-certification has been achieved for **all Wilsonart HD® High Definition® Laminate**, as well as other **Wilsonart Laminates carrying AEON™ Enhanced Performance and these premium finishes:**

- 01-Gloss Finish
- 07-Textured Gloss
- 18-Linearity
- 52-Quarry
- 78-Finegrain

Wilsonart International is now the first laminate manufacturer to achieve full FSC-certification for these products. The company was also first to earn Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) chain-of-custody certification in the HPL category, ensuring that products marked with the recognizable FSC "checkmark and tree" ecologo were sourced from responsibly managed forests. Through the use of materials from well-managed forests, Wilsonart offers High Pressure Laminate (HPL) manufactured in Temple, TX and Fletcher, NC, USA that provides a responsible solution for green building projects.

“Achieving this standard for our key HPL products is a major accolade. These products will automatically carry the signature FSC Mixed claim,” noted Rajesh Ramamurthy, Wilsonart’s Director of Sustainability. “This certification makes it much simpler for our customers to achieve FSC-certification on their laminate-clad components. It also allows Wilsonart Laminates to contribute the full value to their LEED Certified projects under MR Credit 7: Certified Wood.”

In addition to the standard FSC-certification for specific types, Wilsonart Laminates in all product types will be available as FSC-certified upon request at no additional charge, says Ramamurthy. “Downstream derogations or exceptions are not required when using these Wilsonart products. This will be especially helpful to customers currently relying on the FSC’s generic derogation, which expires in December 2010.”

Additional Wilsonart® HPL Products available as FSC-certified on request include:

- Wilsonart® Vertical Grade Laminate;
- Wilsonart® Postforming Grade Laminate;
- Wilsonart® Standard Grade Laminate;
- Wilsonart® HPL Backers;
- Wilsonart® Solid Phenolic Core (SPC) Panels;
- Wilsonart® Fire-Rated Laminate; and
- Wilsonart® Chemsurf Chemical-Resistant Laminate.

For more information about FSC solutions from Wilsonart, please visit our sustainability website (Sustain.Wilsonart.com) or contact your Wilsonart sales representative.

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Wilsonart International was founded in 1956 in Temple, Texas, USA and has since grown to become the leading producer of High Pressure Decorative Laminate in North America. The company has achieved success through a combination of outstanding service, high-quality products and a focus on continuously redefining the laminate surface through improved performance and aesthetics. For more information, call our Customer Service Hotline at 800-433-3222.

Scientific Certification Systems (SCS), which provided the FSC certification approval to Wilsonart, is a global leader in independent certification of environmental, sustainability, stewardship, food quality, food safety and food purity claims. For more than 25 years, SCS has developed internationally recognized standards and certification programs in pursuit of the highest level of environmental performance and social accountability. SCS certifications recognize accomplishments in greenhouse gas inventories and offsets, agricultural production, food processing and handling, forestry, fisheries, flowers and plants, energy, green building, product manufacturing and corporate social responsibility. Find certified products for your home or office at www.SCScertified.com/products.