



For Immediate Release

Visit us at GlassBuild, Booth # 645

YKK AP Expands Application of Sun Control System to Storefront Facades

Designers can now maintain a consistent appearance across the building façade with ThermaShade's sun control system

AUSTELL, Ga. — September 10, 2010 — YKK AP America, the leader in manufacturing high quality architectural products, today expands the application of its energy efficient sun control system, ThermaShade, to include storefront facades. The industry's only sunshade system to feature a thermal barrier, ThermaShade reduces solar heat gain to help lower the overall energy consumption of a building. ThermaShade is also available for curtain wall applications. Designers can now take advantage of the proven sun control system, and apply it across the entire building façade, including storefronts and curtain walls, to maintain a consistent and aesthetically-pleasing appearance.

“Our goal is to provide high-quality, sustainable building products that give architectural designers the freedom they need to effectively create new designs,” said David Warden, enerGfacade® brand manager, YKK AP America. “ThermaShade’s new storefront application does just that, providing more options for designers to create energy efficient building facades, without having to sacrifice creativity or aesthetic appeal; they can pick and choose the best configurations based on their needs.”

For simple installation, pre-engineered solutions are available in over one hundred configurations, including four standard outrigger designs, eight standard lower options and five standard fascia options. An integral hook mechanism is also included on outriggers.

ThermaShade is part of YKK AP’s enerGfacade product line, a family of energy efficient products which provide sustainable, thermally broken solutions for the entire building envelope. The product will be showcased at [GlassBuild](#) 2010 in Las Vegas, September 14 -16. Photos and specification sheets are available upon request.

About YKK AP America

YKK AP America Inc. manufactures a complete line of aluminum entrances, storefronts, curtain walls, sunshades, and windows for use in commercial and

institutional construction. YKK AP aluminum products are manufactured in ISO 14001 certified facilities in Dublin, Georgia – a standard for businesses that operate in a sustainable manner by reducing pollution and waste. The company has also been recognized by the U.S. Department of Energy for Exceptional Leadership in Industrial Energy Efficiency. The company is also a leading producer of window products for use in new construction and replacement in homes and light commercial structures. Its residential products are manufactured in a highly automated manufacturing facility located in Macon, Georgia. YKK AP America is based in Austell, Ga. It is a subsidiary of YKK Corporation of America, whose parent company is global manufacturer YKK Corporation of Japan. For more information, visit www.ykkap.com.

Press Contacts:

Brianna Swales

Vantage Communications for YKK AP America

+1 843 576 4139

bswales@pr-vantage.com

###