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YKK AP Enhances Industry's Most Durable Hurricane Impact and Blast Mitigation Entrance System for Commercial Structures

Now available with 1" laminated insulating glass, ProTek Model 35H provides improved thermal performance and design flexibility

AUSTELL, Ga. — May 10, 2011 — [YKK AP America](#), the leader in manufacturing high quality architectural products, today enhanced its Model 35H entrance system with additional high performance glazing options. Part of YKK AP's [ProTek®](#) family of products, the Model 35H is the industry's most durable hurricane impact and blast mitigation entrance system. The Model 35H is now able to accept 1" laminated insulating glass, providing architects and building owners with an entrance system which meets increasingly stringent energy codes, while maintaining the system's protective qualities.

The upgraded Model 35H entrance system passed rigorous testing standards and received Florida Statewide Product Approval, providing enhanced protection for the building and occupants, particularly in environments like schools and government buildings. It now provides a redesigned glazing pocket as well as wet and dry glaze options for hurricane impact and blast mitigation, accommodating glazing for ¼" to 1" with a variety of glazing stops and gaskets. When glazed with standard 1" insulating glass units with a center-of-glass U-factor of 0.29, the total system achieves a U-factor of 0.78.

"The use of impact resistant and blast mitigation glazing systems is a critical requirement to minimizing damage during destructive events," said Mike Turner, vice president of marketing, YKK AP. "While our Model 35H entrance system has always provided a strong level of protection, we are excited to take its performance to the next level by offering advanced glazing options to architects and building professionals – contributing to a higher level of energy efficiency."

By integrating with YKK AP's YHS storefront and YHC curtain wall framing systems, the enhanced entrance system provides maximum security under the most demanding conditions. In addition, expanded hardware options offer building owners accessibility options that include rim panic exit devices combined with an impact rated aluminum removable mullion, or single point locks paired with flush bolts on the inactive panel.

The Model 35H will be showcased at AIA in New Orleans, May 12-14, booth number 2811. For more information on the ProTek family of impact-resistant and blast-mitigating entrances, please visit www.ykkap.com.



Photos and a specification sheet 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.

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