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YKK AP sponsors the “High-Performance School of the Future, Today” project at Greenbuild 2008

AUSTELL, Ga. (October 31, 2008) — YKK AP played an integral role in the “High-Performance School of the Future, Today” on display at the 2008 Greenbuild International Conference and Expo in Boston on November 19-21 .

The High-Performance School of the Future, Today is an eco-friendly, self-contained classroom for school expansions. Organized by Building Design and Construction, an example of the innovative structure will be situated at the main entrance to the Greenbuild International Conference and Expo. The 1,282-square-foot “learning space” will incorporate the latest concepts in eco-friendly, sustainable features and products. The pre-designed, modular structures are intended to replace the uninspiring trailers commonly used by school systems to accommodate a growing student population. This innovative new approach gives students a visually stimulating and spacious learning environment filled with natural light.

As a sponsor, YKK AP’s engineering team played an integral role in the fenestration systems design and furnished the curtain wall and the C2C certified ThermaShade sunshades for the model. YKK AP products help increase sustainability by affording natural light and retaining indoor heating.

YKK AP products are produced in a state-of-the art facility that is ISO14001 certified to minimize the environmental impact of the manufacturing process. YKK AP has repeatedly contributed to award winning LEED certified new buildings.

“Sustainability is central to YKK AP’s mission, and the High-Performance School of the Future, Today is a stellar example,” said Oliver Stepe, YKK AP Senior Vice President. “We are proud to be part of this display and a new and innovative concept to enhance eco-friendly construction and the learning environment.”

The High-Performance School of the Future, Today is not just a vision of what is to come but an example of what is possible today – for the benefit of students, teachers, administrators and our planet. The system comes in pre-manufactured kits that can be assembled by any general contractor. It was created by Project FROG, an innovative San Francisco design and sustainable building products firm.

Greenbuild is presented annually by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), a nonprofit organization committed to expanding sustainable building. The council’s Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) rating system is a voluntary, national effort to encourage high-performance, sustainable buildings.

To learn more about Greenbuild 2008 visit: www.greenbuildexpo.org

To learn more about Project FROG visit: www.projectfrog.com



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Example of a Project FROG structure similar to the one that will be on display at Greenbuild 2008

