

United Chair® Seating Awarded Double GREENGUARD® Certifications

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ST. PIE, CANADA – January 14, 2008 - Groupe Lacasse is proud to announce that its entire United Chair® seating collection has been certified **GREENGUARD® Indoor Air Quality** by the Greenguard Environmental Institute (GEI), and is one of the first office seating collections to also be certified **GREENGUARD® Children & Schools**.

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In order for United Chair seating products to attain these certifications, GEI conducted a series of demanding tests on chair components - from the back to the padding on the seat to the upholstery – to confirm that the entire chair will not emit a harmful level of air pollutants.

“These certifications are valuable to our customers since dangerous chemicals including carbon dioxide (CO₂) and volatile organic compounds (VOCs) can seriously harm indoor air quality,” said François Giroux, President of Groupe Lacasse. “North Americans, who spend nearly 90% of their time indoors, can be assured that Groupe Lacasse products will not affect the air quality of their interior work environments.”

GREENGUARD® certified furnishings contribute towards achieving points for the Green Building Council’s LEED-CI (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design for Commercial Interiors) program (EQ 4.5).

The coveted GREENGUARD® Children & Schools certification is the most stringent GREENGUARD® certification to date. Per pound of body weight, children consume more food, water and air than adults, making them more sensitive to environmental toxins. As a result, GEI guarantees that GREENGUARD® Children & Schools certified products meet stricter emissions regulations. In addition, the GREENGUARD® Children & Schools certification contributes towards points in LEED’s new Schools Rating System by fulfilling a requirement for the Environmental Quality credit (EQ 4).

“Having received GREENGUARD® certifications for all of our products demonstrates our ongoing commitment to supporting healthier work environments,” said Mr. Giroux.

About Groupe Lacasse

Groupe Lacasse, based in St. Pie, Quebec, Canada, is a North American leader in the design, manufacture and service of a broad range of high-quality office furniture products under the Lacasse, United Chair and Nvision brands. Founded in 1956, Groupe Lacasse offers advanced design and value products in laminate office furniture, steel storage and filing, workplace systems and seating. The company has manufacturing facilities throughout North America. For more information, visit www.groupelacasse.com.

Groupe Lacasse is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Haworth Inc.

About GREENGUARD Environmental Institute

The GREENGUARD Environmental Institute (GEI) is an industry-independent, non-profit organization that oversees the GREENGUARD Certification Program. As an ANSI Authorized Standards Developer, GEI establishes acceptable indoor air standards for indoor products, environments, and buildings. GEI's mission is to improve public health and quality of life through programs that improve indoor air. A GEI Advisory Board consisting of independent volunteers, who are renowned experts in the areas of indoor air quality, public and environmental health, building design and construction, and public policy, provides guidance and leadership to GEI.

For a detailed list of Groupe Lacasse GREENGUARD® certified products, please visit www.groupelacasse.com. For more information about GREENGUARD®, please visit www.greenguard.org. GREENGUARD® certifications apply only to seating and panels using Groupe Lacasse's standard graded-in upholstery collections. Specials are not covered.

