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K2™ COMMERCIAL HARDWARE OFFERS COMPLETE SPECIFICATION WRITING SERVICES TO THE BUILDING DESIGN MARKET WITH EASYSPEC BY K2

EasySpec by K2 Provides Free Section 8 Architectural Door and Hardware Specification Services Under Single Banner

LAKE FOREST, Calif. (Aug. 25, 2008) – K2™ Commercial Hardware by Black & Decker (K2) today revealed its first comprehensive Section 8 specifications program to the architectural and building designer markets with the launch of EasySpec by K2. Developed through the Black & Decker Specification Center, this new value-add specification writing service delivers easy, reliable, accurate, and free architectural door and hardware specifications. Additional services include consulting, design, engineering, code compliance, and detailing for the entire Section 8 category. EasySpec by K2 provides building design professionals with a complete finish hardware and door opening services for commercial, residential and mixed use buildings through a single vendor, saving time, and ultimately reducing overall project developmental costs.

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“In the overall design or remodel of a commercial, residential or mixed use space, architects and designers typically have an incredible amount of detail that must be managed. EasySpec by K2 was created as a one-stop-shop to meet all our professional building design clients’ door and hardware specification needs,” said John McPartland, commercial development manager, K2. “EasySpec by K2 can satisfy all the Section 8 door and hardware specification writing requirements without having to use multiple vendors. This increases productivity, reduces potential conflicts and mistakes, and most importantly, enables our customers more time to focus on the creative design process.”

Part of the Black & Decker Hardware and Home Improvement Group, K2 is built on years of research, design and experience in the hardware and property improvement market. EasySpec by K2 is a true single-source architectural door and hardware specification program, with specification writing services covering:

- Finish Hardware
- Automatic Door
- Wood Door
- Hollow Metal
- Aluminum/GL
- Revolving Door
- Operable Wall
- Roll-up Door
- Structural Glass
- Security System

By working hand-in-hand with the Section 8 specification, EasySpec by K2 addresses the individual needs of the architect and building designer by offering robust services with a personalized touch. EasySpec by K2’s consulting, design and

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engineering services help building design professionals manage projects through their entire lifecycle, from the initial schematic to the final construction administration phase. EasySpec by K2's inter-disciplinary teams ensure that no detail is overlooked, while a single specification consultant provides architects and building designers a streamlined point of contact for questions, schematic alterations, or last minute plan changes.

EasySpec by K2 is available now to building design professionals. For more information about EasySpec by K2, or to take advantage of this free architectural door and hardware specification program, please call 1-866-590-2094, via e-mail at sales@k2commercialhardware.com, or visit our website at: www.k2commercialhardware.com.

About K2 Commercial Hardware

K2 Commercial Hardware by Black & Decker offers the finest in security, quality, choices, styling and customer service to designers, architects and builders. The K2 product line includes locksets, auxiliary deadbolts, exit devices and door closers to meet the needs of today's commercial builder market. K2 is committed to delivering distinctive hardware solutions, while simplifying the customer experience and being a true partner with every designer, architect and builder we work with. Backed by the number one name in hardware and home improvement for more than 60 years, K2 is a proud member of the Black & Decker Hardware and Home Improvement family of products, a leading global provider of architecturally inspired building products.

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For more information about K2 Commercial Hardware, please visit the company's website: www.K2commercialhardware.com.

Black & Decker Hardware and Home Improvement (BDHHI) Group is a division of Black & Decker, the world's largest producer of power tools, power tool accessories and security hardware. Today, the BDHHI Group includes some of the most recognizable hardware and home improvement brands in the world including Kwikset®, Weiser Lock®, Baldwin®, Price Pfister® and K2™ Commercial Hardware by Black & Decker.

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