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SG&A Earns 2007 IIDA New England Interior Design Award

Viega USA training facility recognized as a model for teamwork and sustainable design

Boston, MA (June 28, 2007)— Last night, Spagnolo Gisness & Associates, Inc. (SG&A), one of New England's leading full service architectural, interior design and planning firms, received the 2007 Interior Design Award in the sustainable category for its Viega USA design. Winners were announced live at the New England Chapter of the International Interior Design Association's (IIDA NE) award ceremony.

The 2007 IIDA Interior Design awards recognized SG&A's Viega USA project for its innovative use of, and dedication to, teamwork to achieve the client's goals within a sustainable design framework. "We integrated the client's products into the interior experience as a sales and training tool, and used the resulting design language to contribute to a sustainable environment—" stated SG&A's Director of Interiors, Howard L. Thompson, "a clear benefit in terms of the client's message, the design thesis, and a sustainable project."

The Viega USA team included project client, Viega USA, J Calnan & Associates, Inc. as construction manager, Boston Light Source as lighting representative and Office Environments as the project's furniture vendor.

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Viega USA, located in Nashua, NH, utilized Viega USA's radiant heating, plumbing and snow-melting products in the design of its 14,000 SF Training Facility. The center offers contractors the ability to learn and use the company's products while the use of Viega's products incorporate the its corporate mission of sustainability into the design. "It is always a pleasure to work with a client that has such a strong corporate mission and an appreciation for sustainable design ideals," Jeff Tompkins, SG&A founding partner, stated.

Sustainable design entries did not require LEED certification, but had to employ sustainable techniques in the design. SG&A was nominated for three additional awards in the three office building categories ranging from under 20,000 SF to over 80,000 SF as well as another design in the sustainable category. All nominated projects were displayed at the awards gala held at the new Institute of Contemporary Art in Boston.

About SG&A

Al Spagnolo, Bill Gisness and Jeff Tompkins founded Spagnolo Gisness & Associates, Inc. (SG&A) in 1991 to create a full service architectural, interior design, and planning firm built around a strong design culture that remains truly client inclusive. Located on the historic Boston waterfront, SG&A offers comprehensive design services for office buildings, mixed-use, corporate interiors, multi-family housing and higher education projects throughout the Northeast and beyond.

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