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Nudo Products Announces Acquisition of High Standard, Inc.

December 12, 2013 (Springfield, IL) - Nudo Products, Inc. is pleased to announce the acquisition of High Standard, Inc., a full-service exterior architectural panel manufacturer and fabricator. High Standard's innovative line of window in-fill and exterior cladding panels will perfectly complement Nudo's broad range of interior wall and ceiling products. The combined companies will provide the building and construction industries an unparalleled offering of innovative, high quality interior and exterior panels. In addition, Nudo customers will now have access to porcelain-faced panels produced by High Standard for many years. High Standard customers will benefit from the expanded capacities, fabrication capabilities and solid plastic core panels produced on Nudo's plastic sheet production lines.

Nudo Products CEO, Darryl Rosser, commented, "High Standard's long established reputation for quality architectural panels is well known within the industry. We welcome the knowledgeable and dedicated High Standard Team members to Nudo. Customers should continue to engage with their sales representatives and High Standard team members either in Jaffrey or Pembroke as before. We're pleased that Tony Dalpos, a long-time veteran of the industry, will be leading our business development activity in this segment of the market."

Len Farrell, Nudo's Senior Vice President of Strategic Development, added, "Nudo has long been a laminated panel leader in markets such as agriculture and food processing, sign substrates and transportation, clean rooms and telecommunications. The architectural panel experience High Standard brings to Nudo will add another key market to Nudo's core."

The combined strengths of the two companies mean a turnkey solution, from interior to exterior, for customers throughout the US. Synergies in new product development, logistics, marketing, architectural specifications and operations will enhance customer experience in 2014 and beyond.

About Nudo

Nudo is privately held by the investment firm RFE Partners of New Canaan, Connecticut. For over 60 years, Nudo has partnered with customers to offer solutions to meet their vision in the building products, signage, transportation and architectural design industries. Nudo specializes in ceiling, wall, floor, and sign panels, as well as a wide range of panel accessories. Their focus on responsiveness and consistency has earned Nudo a leadership position in producing panel products with a variety of substrates such as plywood, oriented strand board (OSB), gypsum, composites and finishes such as aluminum, high-pressure laminate (HPL), Fiberglass (FRP) and high-density polyethylene (HDPE). Over the years, Nudo has grown to become one of the largest laminators in the United States. For more information on Nudo's products, please visit www.nudo.com

About High Standard

High Standard Inc. was founded in 1959 and has grown to encompass two locations in the Northeastern United States. Their Jaffrey, NH plant is a full service panel laminator focusing on the unique and changing requirements of their diverse customer base. They have been manufacturing insulated and veneer metal infill panels since the mid-1970's. They produce products such as Kynar on aluminum or steel exterior panels, Ceramicsteel exterior panels and polyester finished panels. Their Pembroke, MA plant is a national distributor, fabricator and regional installer of aluminum composite panels using Alpollic®, Alucobond® and Reynobond®. For more information on High Standard, please visit: www.hsipanel.com

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