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ENVIRONMENTAL STONEWORKS ACQUIRES LEADING OHIO-BASED INSTALLER

(Denver, Colo.) – Environmental StoneWorks has acquired Briden Construction, an Ohiobased stone veneer installer, bolstering their industry standing by positioning them as the top stone veneer manufacturer and installer nationwide.

The Briden Construction acquisition strengthens the Environmental StoneWorks infrastructure throughout the North Central region of the country, with a focus on Ohio, Pennsylvania, Indiana, and upstate New York. With this gateway to new service areas, the Environmental StoneWorks footprint is poised expand into markets throughout the Midwest.

"Briden Construction is the market leader in Ohio and throughout the surrounding states, and they bring to the table a terrific service model that will allow us to better serve our customers nationwide," said Charles Stein, president and CEO of Environmental StoneWorks. "This move allows us to solidify our position as the only national turnkey manufacturer and installer of stone and brick veneer."

"Combining our existing footprint with the Environmental StoneWorks focus on manufacturing and installation offers many layers of benefits to our customers," said Brian Romanchok, president of Briden Construction. "Our culture and business goals match, and we are confident our customers will appreciate the Environmental StoneWorks commitment to delivering the finest products and services at a strong value. We are excited to be part of Environmental StoneWorks' growth plans."

Environmental StoneWorks delivers the most efficient stone veneer solutions to the construction industry. By packaging together manufacturing and installation to builders and commercial property owners, the company has created a single point of contact for customers and delivers the most competitive offering with a "one-stop solution." This combination of product

manufacturing, regional distribution and installation via specially trained professionals will further drive down costs for builders and remodelers.

The combined entity will continue to service the Great Lakes operations from the Hinkley, Ohio locations.

About Environmental StoneWorks

Founded in 1978, Environmental StoneWorks is the only national manufacturer and installer of stone veneer, with manufacturing facilities in Denver, Colo.; North Branch, Minn.; Orwigsburg, Penn.; Atlanta, Ga.; St. George, Utah; and Hinkley, Ohio. Their "start-to-finish" philosophy allows the company to understand and address the needs and challenges of today's builder. Product design, manufacturing, installation, and warranty support happen under one roof, creating a single point of responsibility that sets the company apart. All Environmental StoneWorks products are available nationwide through quality building material retailers. For more information, please visit www.estoneworks.com.

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