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**INSIGHT ON INNOVATION®: ARCHITECTURAL SYSTEMS, INC.
ADDS THREE NEW SUSTAINABLE PRODUCT COLLECTIONS TO ASI
FLOORING BRAND**

NEW YORK (March 23, 2009) ---- Architectural Systems, Inc., a leading international distributor of architectural materials, continues to expand its impressive selection of sustainable products in all five ASI brands. In response to increasing demand, they have recently added three notable ASI Flooring lines: VenCork™ - Flooring, Ecotextures® - Flooring and Linea Nova S/V/L. (See attached tearsheets for more details.)

VenCork™, a revolutionary approach to flooring, combines the refined style of natural wood with the benefits of a cork substrate. Available in 8 colors from light to dark, VenCork™ offers a real wood veneer with a protective surface layer that will meet any durability requirement. It is a member of USGBC and FSC and contributes to LEED® points for recycled material, rapidly renewable, and low-emitting adhesives.

Ecotextures® - Flooring is crafted from environmentally friendly OSB (oriented strand board), and provides an unparalleled choice with its natural and organic feel. This product coordinates with ASI's existing Ecotextures® - Wood Panels. The collection is available in standard colors with custom color capability. Made from extremely resilient, rapidly renewable timber, the component lumber is SFI (Sustainable Forestry Initiative) certified and meets the requirements of AF & PA (American Forest and Paper Association) and CSA (Canadian Standards Association). No urea-formaldehydes are used, which is an important attribute when specifying "green" materials today.

Linea Nova S/V/L is engineered hardwood flooring, featuring a distinctive linear wood grain which coordinates with Ecolinea™ - Wood Panels. This new product provides a modern design solution in any contract environment. Produced from Douglas Fir, all the lumber is harvested under strict guidelines of the CSA (Canadian Standards Association) and the SFI (Sustainable Forestry Initiative).

Architectural Systems Inc. has long been committed to sourcing and promoting well-designed, cost-effective, sustainable materials such as these. Today, the design aesthetic of green products has improved greatly, and they are as on-trend as non-green products.

And the demand for green is not slowing down any time soon. Amanda Carr of WGSN, the leading global service providing online research, analysis and news to the design industries, interviewed the “knowledgeable” Nancy Jackson, President of Architectural Systems, Inc., on the current environmental consciousness.

“There is an increasing group of designers who embody the sustainable lifestyle and are looking for environmentally-friendly products to specify on their projects,” says Jackson.

Ms. Jackson has been invited to lecture on sustainable materials on behalf of the IIDA at Pratt Institute and as a presenting sponsor at the Color & Materials Specifiers’ Conference in New York City. For 2009, she will be presenting a new AIA Continuing Education program entitled “Spotlight on Sustainable Products”, which will contribute to the newly required Sustainable Design credit.

About Architectural Systems, Inc.

Established as a leading international distributor of architectural and sustainable materials, Architectural Systems, Inc. (ASI) is recognized by the design industry for its collective eye on “WHAT’S NEXT®”. Architectural Systems’ distinctive brand-name collections offer fresh, innovative solutions for commercial interiors and are streamlined into five categories: ASI Wood Panels, ASI Flooring, ASI Decorative Surfaces, ASI Specialty Products and ASI Display. ASI has an extensive selection of eco-friendly, sustainable materials in all of their brands. As part of ASI’s ongoing commitment to the environment, they are proud members of the USGBC (US Green Building Council) and affiliated with American Forests Global Relief campaign, planting two trees for every one harvested. They have been rewarded with a chain-of-custody certification from Scientific Certification Systems, following the guidelines of the FSC (Forest Stewardship Council), and are members of NWFA (National Wood Flooring Association). The company’s products are confidently specified by the foremost architecture and design firms and installed globally in major retail, entertainment, hospitality, corporate, healthcare, education and institutional projects.

Visit Architectural Systems, Inc. in its 5,000-sq.-ft. showroom in New York City’s Chelsea Design Center, or view the website at www.archsystems.com for additional collection offerings and the full line of interior finishes.

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