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ROBERT E. DANIELS - TCNA'S TILE PERSON OF THE YEAR

Orlando, FL –4/6/06 Robert “Bob” E. Daniels was awarded the Tile Council of North America’s (TCNA) prestigious 2006 Tile Person of the Year award during Coverings 2006 in Orlando, Florida.

For more than 20 years, Mr. Daniels has worked on behalf of the tile industry. The following highlights characterize his remarkable service:

- Chairman of ISO TC-189 Committee for international tile industry standards
- Member of American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) committee for whitewares including ceramic tile
- Member and former Chairman of the Tile Council of North America’s Handbook Committee
- Chairman of the board of directors of the Ceramic Tile Education Foundation
- Board member of Tile Partners for Humanity
- Member of Board of Governors for the International Tile Exposition, which operates the Coverings trade show
- Member of the ITAC 16 Committee to advise the U.S. Department of Commerce on technical trade issues
- Member of the World Ceramic Tile Manufacturers Forum
- Member of the Construction Specifications Institute (CSI)
- Member of American Society of Association Executives
- Former American National Standards Institute Secretariat for Ceramic Tile and Installation Standards
- Past President of the Tile Council of America (TCA) (1990-1991)
- Past Vice-President of the TCA (1988-1989)
- Former member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)
- Executive Director of the Tile Council of America from 1994 to 2004
- Executive Director Emeritus of the Tile Council of North America (2005 to present)
- Adjunct professor, Clemson University, College of Engineering and Science
- Member of the Industrial Advisory Committee to Clemson University’s College of Engineering and Science

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After 23 years of a highly successful engineering career in consumer electronics, Mr. Daniels entered the tile industry in 1984 as the founding president of KPT, Inc. KPT was a leader in manufacturing of glazed floor tile.

Mr. Daniels played a key role in developing a partnership between Clemson University and the Tile Council. The fruits of his labor helped to build a joint research and training center for ceramics, which includes a 20-meter roller hearth kiln, 680-ton press, and other laboratory equipment available to conduct innovative and cooperative research. The growth of the TCNA Product Performance Testing Laboratory, the success of the Clemson University partnership, the scale of industry participation in standards development, and the recognition of the Tile Council within the industry reflect Mr. Daniels' vision and leadership abilities. As TCNA's spokesman, Mr. Daniels has written numerous articles regarding ceramic tile, education, and installation.

Mr. Daniels continues to educate our industry at architectural training seminars across the country in his capacity as TCNA's Executive Director Emeritus.

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