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**C.R. Laurence Co. Inc. (CRL)
Announces Acquisition of Ebor Group Holdings, Ltd. (Ebor)**

Plans to Build New 75,000 Square Foot Facility in Rochdale

Los Angeles - C.R. Laurence Co. Inc., (CRL), a leading global supplier to the glazing, railing, architectural, construction, industrial, and automotive industries, is pleased to announce the acquisition of Ebor Group Holdings, Ltd. (Ebor) in Manchester, England. The company is located in Rochdale, a prime industrial/commercial section of Manchester.

In making the announcement, Donald E. Friese, CEO of CRL, said, "Ebor was founded in 1981 by Stephen Boocock and three partners, and has grown to be a well known supplier of accessories, tools and machinery to the glazing and stone industries throughout the UK. Ebor recently added the CaesarStone line of quartz surfaces and the Eurofit line of architectural hardware to its product offerings."

Friese continues, "We are very proud of the fact that all 55 employees of Ebor will be staying on, including all four directors; Stephen Boocock, Managing Director; Jonathan Whiteley, Financial Director; Simon Boocock, Sales Director of Glazing Accessories and Eurofit; and David Beckett, Sales Director of CaesarStone and Stone Accessories."

"We see this acquisition as the official launch of our European strategy that was announced at GlassTech in Dusseldorf in the fall of 2008. Ebor will act as the European headquarters for CRL Europe, and will be responsible for that operation, as well as our existing CRL operation in Bad Wimpfen (Stuttgart), Germany.

CRL will make substantial investments in facilities in both the UK and Germany. In Rochdale, the company will immediately begin construction on a 75,000 square foot facility, which is scheduled for completion in the first quarter of 2010. This facility will be in addition to the existing facilities with over 37,700 square feet for floor space.

CRL will install its information technology systems used throughout the company, worldwide, to manage the 50,000 item product line, which will be integrated into the existing Ebor range of products. CRL will also introduce its successful "rapid customization" process to the European market to provide products to customer specifications with lead times similar to "off-the-shelf" products.

In addition, Friese announced that a 30,200 square foot facility has been purchased in Ilsfeld, outside of Stuttgart and, after some modifications are completed, will open in June 2009.

Friese concludes, "We believe that the expansion of these facilities will make CRL one of the best suppliers to the glazing industry in Europe with over 145,000 square feet of floor space dedicated to distribution of its extensive line of products.

C.R. Laurence is a leading supplier to the glazing, railing, architectural, construction, industrial, and automotive industries. Offering more than 50,000 different products, the company serves the industry from 23 locations throughout North America, Europe, and Australia. For additional information, contact CRL at (800) 421-6144 in the *United States and Canada*, or (323) 588-1281 from outside the United States and Canada, or visit the company's web site at crlaurence.com.