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ANA RELEASES 17TH GLASS INFORMATIONAL BULLETIN

(TOPEKA) - The Glass Association of North America (ANA) today announced the release of its 17th Glass Informational Bulletin (GIB), a series of educational documents available to the industry as a free download on their website. Titled *Importance of Fabrication Prior to Heat Treatment*, the GIB encourages the industry to complete any fabrication, including cutting, drilling holes, sand blasting, etching, etc., prior to heat treatment of the glass.

“Any fabrication that physically alters the compression and tension zones of heat-treated glass decreases the glass strength and increases the probability of breakage,” said Greg Carney, ANA’s Technical Director. “The new bulletin reinforces the fabrication position stated in ASTM C 1048 The Standard Specification for Heat-Treated Flat Glass.”

Since their original creation, ANA’s Glass Information Bulletins have been downloaded over a quarter million times from the website at www.glasswebsite.com. Visitors to the site’s TechCenter will be able to add this GIB to their library beginning today.

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