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PGC International Announces Annual Symposium

(TOPEKA) - The Protective Glazing Council (PGC) International today announced their 2008 Annual Symposium, which will take place November 11-13th at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City in Arlington, Virginia. Titled "*Protective Glazing in a Green World: Sustainability and Protection*," the Symposium features a variety of presentations and speakers who address the convergence of protective glazing technologies with the ongoing "green" movement of environmentally friendly buildings.

"The green movement is gaining momentum around the globe," said Bill Yanek, Executive Director of PGC International. "With many projects in need of protective glazing to protect future occupants, our focus with the Symposium is to educate the architectural, government and building owner communities on methods to achieve a solution that protects both people and the environment."

The keynote speaker of the event will be Harvey Bernstein of McGraw-Hill. Bernstein, who is Vice President of Industry Analytics, Alliances and Strategic Initiatives and McGraw-Hill Construction, specializes in green building initiatives and was part of the team which launched the new *GreenSource* magazine. Bernstein will discuss the future of the Green movement in construction.

Other speakers will discuss a variety of topics, including "green" protection from the building owner's perspective, as well as other protective glazing technologies. Admission to the event is free for architects, government officials, building owners and glazing contractors. To register for the event, visit the PGC International website at www.protectiveglazing.org.

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The Protective Glazing Council represents manufacturers of protective glazing products and systems, suppliers to these manufacturers, consultants and testing organizations. The Association was organized to provide support to government and industry in the development of standards and specifications, as well as use of protective glazing products, for blast resistance, bullet resistance, and main force attack.

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