



YKK AP Fills Key Positions in National and Regional Sales

Austell, Ga. (February 19, 2008) –YKK AP, a leading architectural products manufacturer based in Austell, Ga., has hired Greg Taylor as regional sales manager for the Southern United States, among other key personnel additions.

Taylor has 23 years of experience in architectural aluminum products. He has held roles with increasing responsibility including territory sales, major project sales, sales team leadership, and most recently vice president for a major contract glazing firm in Texas. Taylor lives in Dallas and will be based there for YKK AP.

Ed McMahan has been hired as manager for the new YKK AP branch in Houston. McMahan has more than 25 years of experience in the architectural aluminum products industry. He has held key positions, including branch management for a glass and metal manufacturer/distributor. He has experience in managing and leading customer service, operations, and field sales. The new hire, along with the opening of a facility in Houston this April, is part of the company's strategic platform to serve the South Texas market.

Wes Thorpe has been hired as the company's national accounts representative. Thorpe spent recent years in national account operations and business development within the architectural aluminum products industry. He has experience in the industry and is knowledgeable in the strategies necessary to build a strong national accounts program. Thorpe, a graduate of Austin College in Sherman, Texas, will be relocating from Dallas to the Atlanta area.

YKK AP America Inc. manufactures architectural aluminum entrances, storefronts, curtain walls, and windows for office buildings, universities, schools, institutional, and condominium structures. YKK AP America is based in Austell, Ga. To learn more about YKK AP and its products, please visit www.ykkap.com.

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