

With 10 Billion Feet Installed, Intercept Spacer Now Protects More IG Windows Than All Other Spacer Systems Combined

TWINSBURG, OH — March 21, 2007 — Since its introduction in 1992, 10 billion feet of Intercept Spacer has been installed in more than 500 million windows throughout North America and Europe, making it the most widely adopted spacer solution by a factor of at least three to one.

“This exceptional manufacturing achievement can be attributed to the many window and door manufacturers worldwide that insist on producing high-quality, durable, long-lasting systems,” said Ron Auletta, president, GED Integrated Solutions. “Our state-of-the-art, fully-integrated i-3 lean manufacturing IG frame production system, in conjunction with the proven Intercept Spacer, has enabled our customers to routinely produce thousands of IG windows day-after-day with 100 percent computer controlled repeatable quality. So, it is no surprise that the 10 billion foot milestone has been achieved in just 14 years. All of us at GED offer our sincere thanks to our customers who have made this milestone a reality, and who continue to add significant additional mileage to the record each and every day.”

There are four key reasons why Intercept Spacer has millions of satisfied customers says Peter Baka, GED’s business development manager. “Intercept’s patented U-shape construction makes it the most durable and flexible spacer system without sacrificing strength. This design prevents load on the sealant to virtually eliminate seal failure. Second, with the longest moisture vapor transmission path in the industry, coupled with Intercept’s Quad Corner™ design, gas loss is virtually eliminated. Third, when installed, the spacer is tucked below the sight line for superior appearance, plus the muntins are securely locked in the spacer for perfect alignment. Finally, Intercept has been the documented leader in warm edge performance since its introduction through independent testing.”

Silver Line Windows, an Andersen Company, was congratulated by GED as the producer of the 10 billionth foot of Intercept Spacer in the 4th Quarter of 2006 with a plaque presented to Randy Isles, president. “It is a pleasure working with GED as true partners in our window manufacturing process,” said Isles. Silver Line, with eight window manufacturing facilities, proudly incorporates the superior warm edge Intercept Spacer System in the windows they sell through thousands of dealers and major home improvement retailers.

For more information on the Intercept Spacer System, visit www.interceptspacer.com or call (330) 963-5401.

About GED Integrated Solutions

GED Integrated Solutions manufactures fully integrated insulating glass and vinyl window and door fabrication systems including the revolutionary Intercept i-3 IG spacer frame production system. The company's i-3 platform works with LeanNet communications software to integrate every facet of a plant's operation, increasing profit and getting orders out the door faster. GED's commitment to innovation that addresses its customers' needs is evidenced by the fact that 18 of the top 20 manufacturers utilize GED's equipment and software solutions.

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Photo captions:

SilverLineAward.jpg - Silver Line accepts congratulations for producing the 10 billionth foot of Intercept Spacer at the '07 International Builder's Show in Orlando, FL. From left to right: Tom Calcei, regional manager, GED; Peter Baka, business development manager, GED; Randy Isles, president, Silver Line Windows; Dominic Benevenga, vice president of engineering, Silver Line Windows; Bill Weaver, vice president of sales and service, GED.

U-shape.jpg - Intercept Spacer's patented U-shape construction provides durable, flexible protection in the more than 10 billion feet of spacer installed since the product launched in 1992.

i-3Plant.jpg and InterceptMachine.tif - GED's i-3 lean manufacturing IG frame production system, in conjunction with the proven Intercept Spacer, has enabled manufacturers to routinely produce thousands of IG windows day-after-day with 100 percent computer controlled repeatable quality.

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