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Tandus Flooring Wins Unprecedented Sixth Consecutive Antron® Sustainable Flooring Award

Wins two additional awards and recognized on two winning projects

(Dalton, GA – May 15, 2012) Tandus Flooring’s Powerbond® has won its sixth consecutive Antron® Sustainable Flooring Performance Award, becoming the first flooring to win every year since the award’s inception. A Powerbond installation at Nederland Elementary School in Boulder, Colorado won the award that recognizes the use of performance-driven flooring in commercial applications. In addition, Tandus Flooring won two other Antron awards, including the Grand Prize in Antron’s Match Award category for innovative marketing tools, Modular Gold in the Product Innovation category, and was the floorcovering selected on two projects winning Design Awards honoring architects and designers who showcase creativity in flooring design and use.

“It’s a true honor to win the top award every year since it was established”, said Tom Ellis, Vice President Marketing, Tandus Flooring. “Powerbond’s innovative design and long-lasting performance attributes are unmatched by any other flooring, and this award is a true testament to the capabilities of our hybrid resilient sheet flooring.”

Powerbond Wins Top Award Six Times

Powerbond, a hybrid resilient sheet flooring, is the only winner of the *Antron Sustainable Flooring Performance Award* since the award was established in 2003. The innovative floorcovering is a heterogeneous construction of closed-cell cushion and a nylon wear layer. It offers a fiscally responsible solution that supports a healthy indoor environment, is an environmentally responsible choice and a creative design medium. All these attributes are credited to the closed-cell cushion technology that is seamless and impermeable to moisture, allowing the nylon to maintain its appearance for decades.

For the Sustainable Flooring Performance Award, judges looked for products that play a significant role in reducing the environmental impact associated with replacing or recycling flooring. Nederland Elementary School of the Boulder Valley School District in Nederland, CO was chosen for the sustainability of Powerbond installed more than 22 years ago. The school selected Powerbond in 1990 for its aesthetic versatility and performance. Design was a critical component as the mountain community school sought to blend the interiors with the rugged natural landscape. The flooring design had to be timeless for the school to create a lasting feeling that was in harmony with the natural environment. Performance also was a key factor as the flooring had to withstand extreme winter conditions including tracked-in snow, mud and salt. Today, Powerbond with Antron nylon has performed remarkably for more than two decades while other flooring in the school has been repeatedly replaced.

Tandus Flooring Wins Two Additional Awards; Recognized as Flooring on Winning Design Awards

Tandus Flooring won Antron's *Match Award* Grand Prize for its completely reusable and recyclable portfolio system. The newly established Match Award recognizes innovative marketing tools and services that have met an unmatched need in the architecture and design industry. Tandus Flooring is the first in the flooring industry to eliminate glue and nonrecyclable materials, providing portfolios that can be repeatedly reused and then recycled at the end of its useful life.

A Gold Award in Antron's *Modular Product Innovation* category was given to Tandus Flooring's Atmosphere design that uses revolutionary Sero design technology to translate dramatic large-scale graphics to modular carpet. This award recognizes unique flooring designs that excel in aesthetics, color and usage.

Two Tandus Flooring installations were recognized as the flooring selected on winning projects of the *Antron Design Awards*. SmithGroupJJR won in the Small Office category with Tandus Flooring's Landform flooring installed in the Burgess Group offices in Alexandria, VA. HOK was honored with a Merit Award in the Large Office category for its work with Sony Mobile in Atlanta, where Tandus Flooring's Landscape Colours and Manufactured Landscapes were used. Both installations take advantage of Tandus Flooring's Sero design technology that produces fluid transition of pattern and color across the entire floor plane for dramatic aesthetic statements that visually transcend the room.

About Tandus Flooring

Tandus Flooring (www.tandus.com) creates innovative floorcovering solutions through our unique product line of hybrid resilient, modular, broadloom and woven products that work in tandem to enhance spaces for learning, working, healing and living. Through inspired design and leading-edge technology, Tandus Flooring offers its customers a single-source for innovative product design and technology, comprehensive services, and environmental leadership. For more than 40 years, Tandus Flooring has been examining all the ways to be a better corporate citizen and environmental steward — and then taking actions that lead to demonstrable, meaningful, quantifiable results.

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