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AHAM PRESIDENT ELECTED TO ANSI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

WASHINGTON, DC (December 11, 2008) -- AHAM President Joseph M. McGuire has been elected to the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Board of Directors beginning a three-year term on January 1, 2009.

The American National Standards Institute (ANSI) is a private non-profit organization whose mission is to enhance U.S. global competitiveness and the American quality of life by promoting, facilitating, and safeguarding the integrity of the voluntary standardization and conformity assessment system. ANSI is the official U.S. representative to the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and, via the U.S. National Committee, the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC), and is a U.S. member of the International Accreditation Forum (IAF).

AHAM is an ANSI accredited Standards Development Organization (SDO) and maintains 19 performance standards, the majority of which are ANSI accredited American National Standards. AHAM is also a member of ANSI's Organizational Member Forum (OMF).

"The ANSI accreditation process has been an integral part of AHAM's standards development process for the credibility it lends to our standards," said Joseph M. McGuire, AHAM President. "I am very pleased to serve on the ANSI Board as standards, and particularly international standards harmonization continues to be a top issue for AHAM members."

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The Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM) is a not-for-profit trade association representing manufacturers of major, portable and floor care home appliances, and suppliers to the industry and is headquartered in Washington, DC. You can visit the AHAM web site at <http://www.aham.org>