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## Alside<sup>®</sup> Meets New ENERGY STAR<sup>®</sup> Northern Climate Zone Requirements, Introduces New Glass Package Solution



**CUYAHOGA FALLS, OH (January 13, 2016)** – Alside<sup>®</sup>, a leading North American manufacturer and wholesale distributor of residential and light commercial exterior building products, announces its compliance with new ENERGY STAR<sup>®</sup> Version 6.0 Northern Climate Zone window and patio door performance requirements taking effect January 1, 2016.

Alside offers a wide array of windows, patio doors and glass package solutions – including a new Low-E (low-emissivity) option – to meet the new requirement.

Under the new ENERGY STAR Version 6.0 performance requirements, windows and patio doors installed in the Northern Climate Zone beginning January 1 must attain a U-Factor rating of at least 0.27 to be eligible for ENERGY STAR qualification. Prior to this new standard, windows meeting a U-Factor rating of 0.30 were considered eligible (for more details visit <u>www.energystar.gov</u>).

Alside can meet the new ENERGY STAR standard through a number of windows, patio doors and glass package solutions. In fact, the many popular Alside window models, including Sheffield<sup>®</sup>, UltraMaxx<sup>®</sup> and Mezzo<sup>®</sup>, already meet the new requirements with existing glass package options offered by the company.

However, for models not meeting the new standard, Alside introduces a new solution – a fourth-surface Low-E option, called the ClimaTech SF (surface four) glass package. The ClimaTech SF glass package will be available on select models that would not otherwise achieve Northern Climate Zone requirements.

The ClimaTech SF glass package is a combination of two Low-E coatings, one on surface two and the other on surface four. This combination of Low-E coatings, in conjunction with the Intercept<sup>®</sup> Spacer and argon gas, allows Alside products with these options to meet the new Northern Climate Zone requirements.

Beginning December 30, 2015, the ClimaTech SF glass package became available for order on select Alside window and patio door models that require this glass option to meet the new ENERGY STAR Northern Climate Zone requirements.

Dealers and distributors can contact their Alside Representative or Customer Service for complete availability information.

## About Alside

Alside, founded in 1947 and headquartered in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, is part of Associated Materials, LLC, a vertically integrated manufacturer and wholesale distributor of residential and light commercial exterior building products meeting the needs of homeowners, contractors, remodelers, builders, architects and property investors. Alside products include: vinyl windows and patio doors; vinyl siding, soffit and accessories; aluminum trim coil; aluminum and steel siding and accessories. These products are distributed in the U.S. on a wholesale basis to contractors, remodelers and builders through a network of 99 company-owned and -operated Alside Supply Centers, and over 100 independent distributor and direct dealer locations. Alside Supply Centers also distribute complementary building materials, including roofing, insulation, rainware, exterior doors, shakes, stone, decking, professional tools and supplies, and more. To learn more visit www.alside.com.

## About Associated Materials, LLC

Associated Materials, LLC is a U.S. and Canadian manufacturer and distributor of residential and light commercial exterior building products meeting the needs of homeowners, contractors, remodelers, builders, architects and property investors. Manufactured at 11 facilities, the comprehensive product portfolio includes: vinyl windows and patio doors; vinyl siding, soffit and accessories; aluminum trim coil; aluminum and steel siding and accessories; vinyl railing and fencing. The company's six core brands – Alside, Gentek, Revere, Alpine, Preservation and UltraGuard – are distributed to contractors, remodelers and builders through a dual-distribution network. Associated Materials owns and operates over 120 Supply Center wholesale locations in the U.S. (Alside) and Canada (Gentek), and also partners with over 400 independent distributors and direct dealers. In addition to company-manufactured products, Supply Centers distribute complementary building materials, including roofing, insulation, rainware, exterior doors, shakes, stone, decking, professional tools and supplies, and more. To learn more visit <u>www.associatedmaterials.com</u>.

