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ITW TACC LAUNCHES NON-FLAMMABLE, LOW ODOR SYNTHETIC TURF ADHESIVE

Rockland, MA (April 30, 2008): ITW TACC, a leading manufacturer of professional- and industrial-grade adhesives, now offers a solvent-free adhesive for attaching synthetic turf. TURF GRIP™ reduces installation time, can be used in a variety of weather conditions, comes without flammability and odor hazards, and bonds up to 35% more seams than competing adhesives, according to the manufacturer. TURF GRIP™ is made of high strength polyurethane with convenient working time, allowing installers to work quickly while preserving seam and field integrity. ASTM D5034 testing by an STC-certified test lab showed that seams made with TURF GRIP™ remained intact while the synthetic turf ruptured when pulled at a 90-degree angle. "Installers like the idea of working with a seam fastening adhesive like TURF GRIP™," said ITW TACC Specialty Adhesives Business Manager Fred Walnut. "TURF GRIP™ is 100% solids, so it's solvent-free, has very low odor, and covers up to 35% more." TURF GRIP™ has been chamber-tested by an independent laboratory and passes the GREENGUARD Environmental Institute's most stringent certification — *GREENGUARD® Children & Schools Certified* — for indoor air quality. *GREENGUARD®* requires quarterly testing to maintain certification. Building codes for new schools are increasingly requiring low-emitting materials in their specifications. TURF GRIP™ meets LEED® and other green building requirements. Green building and product data can be found online in ITW TACC's Document Library at www.itwtacc.com. TURF GRIP™ comes in an easy-to-pour 5 gallon recyclable pail with ergonomic handle. For more information, contact Fred Walnut at 1-800-503-6991. ITW TACC is a division of Illinois Tool Works Inc. Illinois Tool Works (NYSE: ITW) is a Fortune 500 company that produces engineered fasteners and components, equipment and consumable systems, and specialty products. It employs nearly 55,000 people in 850 business units with operations in 50 countries.