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The Earthwise Group Becomes First Window Manufacturer to Earn "Made in USA Certified[®]" Designation

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LIBERTY TOWNSHIP, OHIO, February 4, 2013 – The <u>Earthwise Group, LLC</u>, a national network of locally owned, independent manufacturers of windows and doors, is pleased to announce that the organization has recently been recognized as "Made in USA Certified." The organization is the first and only window and door manufacturer to be Made in USA Certified.

Made in USA Certified, Inc. is the nation's leading independent certification source. To earn the certification, The Earthwise Group went through a rigorous supply chain audit to ensure that at least 75 percent of the organization's products and processes originate and are completed in the United States. The organization's windows and doors will now carry the Made in USA Certified seal.

"The Earthwise Group and our member companies are committed to keeping our manufacturing operations in the United States," said Mark Davis, executive director, The Earthwise Group, LLC. "We've demonstrated this commitment by producing high-quality windows and doors that our customers can purchase knowing they are supporting American jobs. Our recent Made in USA certification further verifies our ongoing promise that our products are truly made in the U.S."

Drawing from the strength of its member companies, The Earthwise Group is at the forefront of meeting and exceeding industry demand for windows and doors that balance form, function and energy efficiency. Products produced by Earthwise Group members consistently meet and exceed the rigorous standards set by Energy Star, the National Fenestration Rating Council (NFRC), and the American Architectural Manufacturers Association (AAMA).

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Currently, there are 15 Earthwise manufacturing facilities, with distribution covering the majority of the eastern half of the United States.

For more information on The Earthwise Group, visit www.earthwisewindows.com.

About The Earthwise Group

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