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***GREENGUARD® Certification Awarded To  
Valspar ZENITH® G-1 Solvent-based Coating***

**CHICAGO – June 15, 2009** – The Valspar Corporation (NYSE-VAL) announced that its new ZENITH® G-1 Solvent-based Self-seal Topcoat has received GREENGUARD® certification by meeting the GREENGUARD Environmental Institute’s air quality standard for low emitting products. G-1, a solvent-based topcoat that has very low amounts of hazardous air pollutants (HAP), is being introduced by Valspar at the National Exposition of Contract Furnishings (NeoCon), held Monday, June 15 through Wednesday, June 17 at Chicago’s Merchandise Mart.

G-1 is designed to be “dropped-in” to existing production lines without the need for new equipment or inconvenient adaptations to existing processes. One reason the G-1 formulation gained GREENGUARD indoor air quality certification is because it contains very low amounts of formaldehyde.

Valspar’s ZENITH line of wood finishing products, with improved environmental performance, is designed to help companies meet their individual environmental

demands. As more distributors, furniture manufacturers, original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) and builders adopt green initiatives, the ZENITH family of products helps them meet environmental requirements without sacrificing beauty or affordability.

Other benefits of ZENITH G-1 include:

- Very Low Odor
- Excellent moisture, chemical, and mar resistance
- Excellent flow, leveling, build and appearance
- Meets all Kitchen Cabinet Manufacturers Association (KCMA) requirements
- Compatible with Valspar wood finish color systems
- Very Low HAPS

The ZENITH Color Choice Finish Design Program, which includes wiping stains, spray stains, liquid glazes, powder glazes, and basecoats, builds a complete portfolio of products available for use with the G-1 Solvent-based Self-seal Topcoat.

In addition to the G-1 Solvent-based Self-seal Topcoat and the Color Choice Finish Design Program, waterborne products in the ZENITH line include lacquers, pre-catalyzed lacquers, conversion varnishes and UV coatings.

ZENITH wood coatings are manufactured by The Valspar Corporation (NYSE:VAL), a global leader in the paint and coatings industry. Since 1806, Valspar has been dedicated to bringing customers the latest innovations, the finest quality and the best customer service in the coatings industry. Valspar is dedicated to environmental improvement, making strides in the reduction of waste, emissions and pollutants, and advancing worker health and safety around the globe. Consumer-facing ValsparEarthSense.com is an online resource providing environmental advice on painting projects. For more information about Valspar products, visit [www.valsparglobal.com](http://www.valsparglobal.com).

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