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Solutia Announces World of Color AwardsSM Program *Online Competition to Recognize Use of Color in Design Projects*

ST. LOUIS – May 10, 2010 – Solutia Inc. (NYSE: SOA), manufacturer of the Vanceva Color System by Saflex[®] today announced its inaugural Solutia “World of Color AwardsSM Inspired by Vanceva[®].” The new international design awards program is designed to honor architects, interior designers, glass fabricators, furniture designers, glazing engineers and other industry professionals for their innovative design use of colored laminated safety glass in building design and interior spaces around the world. Entries will be accepted online beginning June 14, 2010 at www.worldofcolorawards.com.

“Glass is the portal through which we experience light in the built environment. Adding color to that glass, whether it is in exterior glazing, interior partitions, furniture or art, elevates the experience of light,” says Julie Schimmelpenningh, global architectural applications manager for Solutia. “This competition seeks to honor architects, designers and glazing professionals who use color to enhance the built environment and inspire occupants.”

The Vanceva Color System by Saflex offers architects and designers unparalleled creative freedom to incorporate color into glass and glazing systems using tinted interlayers which are laminated in between two pieces of glass. A palette of 15 colors

can be combined in up to four layers to produce more than 3,000 transparent, translucent and opaque glass colors. This gives designers unparalleled flexibility to create custom colors and one-of-a-kind aesthetics. Vanceva color interlayers also offer all the benefits of polyvinyl butyral (PVB) interlayers for laminated safety glass, including security, solar, sound insulation and UV protection.

The World of Color Awards competition is an international recognition program open to all industry professionals. All entries must include liberal use of Vanceva color interlayer products and must have been completed between January 1, 2006 and December 31, 2009.

Nominating a project is easy. Simply visit www.worldofcolorawards.com to submit photographs and brief background information for each project. There are no entry fees, and multiple entries will be accepted. Entrants must agree to provide photography rights for public relations purposes. The deadline for entry is August 15, 2010.

Entries will be judged by a jury of architectural and color marketing professionals. The architectural and design community will also be able to cast their votes for their favorite projects online. The glass fabricator who supplied the laminated glass for each of the winning projects will also be recognized on the program website, in press releases and all competition communications.

Solutia's Saflex brand PVB interlayers are the most trusted name in PVB interlayer technology for laminated glazing, delivering outstanding performance and durability, backed by reliable and knowledgeable service. As a result, it is found in nearly 40 percent of laminated architectural and automotive glass worldwide. Saflex interlayers are also used to encapsulate thin film photovoltaic solar cells, providing outstanding processability and durability.

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