



Deckorators(R) Integrated Aluminum Railing System Passes Critical Building Code

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Universal Consumer Products, Inc. announces that Deckorators^(R) brand aluminum deck railing has passed both the *2006 and 2009 International Building Code and International Residential Building Code* for its 6-foot railing system in 36- and 42-inch heights.

A code-compliant research report (CCRR) issued by Architectural Testing provides the evidence, technical information and professional evaluation that a building official relies upon to determine that a product, component or construction method complies with specific building codes. The issuance of CCRR-0161 offers extra assurance to building material dealers, contractors and homeowners that the Deckorators aluminum railing system has been tested by a third-party and will perform as designed.

"The building code report is critical to generating new business," said John Hess, director of sales for Universal Consumer Products. "This report will help improve our ability to drive sales of the Deckorators aluminum railing system, especially where code-compliant railings are required."

The American National Standards Institute (ANSI) accreditation is widely accepted among building code officials. The Architectural Testing Code Compliance Research Report is accredited by ANSI as a product certification program. The code compliance research report (CCRR-0161) issued by Architectural Testing (ATI) can be viewed, downloaded and printed from the Deckorators website at <http://www.ufpi.com/literature/CCRR-0161.pdf>.

About Deckorators Integrated Aluminum Railing System

The sleek, durable top profile creates an eye-catching appearance and is compatible with all Deckorators baluster styles. This innovative railing system is available in powder-coated black or white and features a lifetime limited warranty. The rails are sold in kits to make purchasing simple. Post sleeves, stair rail bracket kits, angled brackets and matching post caps are also available. All kits can be shipped via UPS.

Deckorators aluminum railing and deck and fence railing accessories are available through an established network of building material retailers in the United States and Canada. Visit www.deckorators.com for complete information.

About Deckorators

Deckorators is the leading brand of low-maintenance deck railing components. The pioneering spirit behind the brand has kept Deckorators on the leading edge of designing products that create beautiful and unique decks. Deckorators started the low-maintenance aluminum balusters category with the Classic Series and has since lead the industry with innovative products: Colonial balusters, offering the look of traditional colonial times; Architectural balusters, with the beautiful appearance of hand-forged wrought iron; accessories that provide the special accents needed to customize the look of your deck; Connector Series installation products that make installing Deckorators balusters simple and easy. The company's approach to developing exciting and distinctive deck rail and railing products allows customers the opportunity to express themselves on their deck as they do in their home.

Universal Consumer Products, Inc. is a subsidiary of Universal Forest Products, Inc., a holding company that provides capital, management and administrative resources to subsidiaries that design, manufacture and market wood and wood-alternative products for DIY/retail home centers and other retailers, structural lumber products for the manufactured housing industry, engineered wood components for the site-built construction market, and specialty wood packaging and components for various industries. The company's consumer products subsidiary offers a large portfolio of outdoor living products, including wood composite decking, decorative balusters, post caps and plastic lattice, and its garden group offers an array of products, such as trellises and arches, to retailers nationwide.

Universal's subsidiaries also provide framing services for the site-built market and forming products for concrete construction. The 55-year-old company is headquartered in Grand Rapids, Mich., with facilities throughout North America. To learn more about Deckorators aluminum railing and railing accessories, call 800-332-5724, e-mail deckorators@ufpi.com or visit www.deckorators.com. For more information about Universal Forest Products, visit www.ufpi.com.

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