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**HIGHMARK RECEIVES GREENGUARD CERTIFICATION**

*Manufacturer of clean, green, affordable, and green seating exceeds indoor air quality standards*

(HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA) June 8, 2009 --- Highmark, a Southern-California-based manufacturer of office seating, has been awarded GREENGUARD Indoor Air Quality Certification, the company announced today.

GREENGUARD Certification is awarded by the GREENGUARD Environmental Institute (GEI), a third-party, non-profit organization committed to improving indoor air quality. It was established in 2001 to create a true third-party product certification program based on proven emissions standards and to provide specifying and procurement professionals with a resource for low-emitting products.

"The GREENGUARD Environmental Institute applauds Highmark on its commitment to furthering our mission of improving indoor air quality," said Dr. Marilyn Black, Founder of GEI. "Products such as Highmark's ergonomic chairs are certified by the GREENGUARD Environmental Institute to ensure consumers they are choosing the best products for indoor air quality."

Highmark undertook the process of achieving GREENGUARD Certification earlier this year to support its mission of creating intuitive, clean, affordable, and green designs. The intensive process can take up to 12 months to complete and includes technical and manufacturing reviews as well as testing for more than 12,000 volatile organic compounds (VOCs). Ongoing verification is required to maintain certification.

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**About Highmark**

Highmark is seating made simple: simple sell, simple use, and simple service. Headquartered in Orange County, CA – a confluence of fashion, art and eco-friendly design – Highmark offers intuitive, clean, affordable, green designs built with cutting edge technology. Founded in 1992, Highmark is known for quality, selection, and unparalleled customer service. All Highmark products come with a lifetime warranty on components, conform to international ergonomic guidelines, and are available with Speed Ship delivery. For more information about the company and its products, visit [www.highmarkergo.com](http://www.highmarkergo.com).



### **About GREENGUARD Environmental Institute (GEI)**

Founded in 2001, GEI is an industry-independent, non-profit organization that oversees the GREENGUARD Certification Program<sup>SM</sup>. The Institute's mission is to protect human health and quality of life through programs that improve indoor air people breathe. As an ANSI Accredited Standards Developer, GEI establishes acceptable indoor air standards for building materials, interior products, electronic equipment, indoor environments and buildings. The more than 200,000 GREENGUARD Certified products must meet stringent; third-party standards for low chemical emissions based on established health standards and undergo rigorous testing and verification processes on a regular basis. GREENGUARD Certification is broadly recognized and accepted by a number of "green" building programs, including the United States Green Building Council's (USGBC) LEED<sup>®</sup> program. An online guide of GREENGUARD Certified products is available at no charge at [www.greenguard.org](http://www.greenguard.org).

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