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ATTEND ARCHITECTS FORUM, EARN AIA UNITS AT GLASSBUILD AMERICA® 2011

WASHINGTON, DC (May 11, 2011) – Architects have one more reason to attend GlassBuild America: The Glass, Window & Door Expo® in 2011: the National Glass Association's First Annual Architects Forum. Presented by the National Architects Committee, the Architects Forum was created for architects and key project managers to share information about the glass and glazing industry. The event will feature dynamic and informative speakers, a panel discussion, and peer-to-peer networking.

In addition to earning AIA learning credits at the Forum on September 13, 2011 and at educational seminars on September 14, 2011, architects can tour the show floor and build lasting relationships with leaders of the glass and glazing industry. Two distinguished speakers have already been announced for the forum:

Edward Mazria is Founder and CEO of Architecture 2030, a non-profit, non-partisan organization established in 2002 in response to the climate change crisis. Architecture 2030's goal is to achieve a dramatic reduction in the greenhouse gas emissions of the U.S. and global Building Sectors by changing the way buildings and developments are planned, designed and constructed.

Kai-Uwe Bergmann, an Associate Partner with the Bjarke Ingels Group (BIG), will speak on "Bridging the Gap from Utopia to Reality." Bergmann is a LEED AP-certified architect with vast expertise on major commercial projects worldwide. He is a frequent lecturer and global ambassador for BIG, a Copenhagen-based group of architects, designers and thinkers operating within the fields of architecture, urbanism, research and development.

"We are excited about the expanded opportunities for architects to network, learn and earn LUs at this year's GlassBuild America," said Denise Sheehan, NGA Vice President of Industry Events. "In addition to attending our inaugural Architects Forum, participants will have free access to the show floor to connect with customers and see first-hand the latest advances in glass technology, including the cutting-edge Innovations Pavilion."

The Architects Forum, presented by the NGA and AAMA, is sponsored by Petersen Aluminum and Guardian. Architects Forum attendees can attend the GlassBuild America seminars on solar energy and decorative solar technologies at no additional charge. For more information and to register, visit <http://www.glass.org/education-training-af.html>.

About GlassBuild America: The Glass, Window & Door Expo

GlassBuild America is organized by the National Glass Association, in partnership with the Glass Association of North America, the American Architectural Manufacturers Association, the Insulating Glass Manufacturers Alliance and the Bath Enclosure Manufacturers Association. GlassBuild America is a member of the Global Fair Alliance. For more information about the Global Fair Alliance visit www.global-fair-alliance.com. GlassBuild America 2011 will be held September 12-14 in Atlanta, Georgia. For more information about GlassBuild America, contact: 866/342-5642, extension 300 or visit www.GlassBuildAmerica.com

About the NGA

Founded in 1948, the National Glass Association is the largest trade association representing the flat (architectural) and auto glass industries. Based outside Washington, DC, and representing over 3,000 member companies and locations, NGA offers certification, education and training, including MyGlassClass.com – a state-of-the-art online training resource. NGA publishes the industry's leading trade magazines: Glass Magazine® and Window & Door®; and e-newsletters: e-glass weekly™ and WDweekly™. In addition, NGA serves the industry and general public with its Web sites: glass.org, GlassBuildAmerica.com, GlassMagazine.com, WindowandDoor.com, and MyAutoGlass.org. NGA also hosts the industry's premier annual trade event: GlassBuild America®: The Glass, Window & Door Expo. For more information on NGA, visit www.glass.org.

About AAMA

Since 1936, AAMA has been dedicated to the promotion of quality window, door, curtain wall, storefront and skylight

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