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ALL WELD-ON[®] SOLVENT CEMENTS AND PRIMERS WILL MEET STRINGENT VOC EMISSION LIMITS IN 2009 IPS[®] Corporation continues its unwavering commitment to the environment.

COMPTON, CALIFORNIA, **December 17, 2008** – IPS Corporation is proud to be the first in the solvent cement manufacturing industry to offer all of its WELD-ON products in environmentally-responsible, Low VOC (volatile organic compound) formulations. By the end of March 2009, all WELD-ON solvent cements, primers and cleaners will meet the most stringent VOC emission limits in the United States – Rule 1168/316A, established by California's South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD).

"Having pioneered the first Low VOC solvent cement for use on plastic piping systems in 1992, we are and will continue to be committed to developing top-quality WELD-ON products that are also environmentally responsible." said Janet Reilly, President of the WELD-ON Division of IPS Corporation. "Achieving Low VOC emission limits across our entire product line is a bold step marking our unwavering dedication to the betterment of the environment." added Reilly.

WELD-ON solvent cements, primers and cleaners are used to prepare and join PVC, CPVC, and ABS pipe, valves and fittings in residential, commercial and industrial applications. Our Low VOC products – with lesser VOC emissions – will contribute to cleaner air and better workplace conditions. California was the first state to recognize the benefits of Low VOC by enacting Rule 1168/316A over 15 years ago. And now, Connecticut, Maryland and New Jersey are adopting similar legislation effective Jan. 1, 2009 with other states likely to follow suit later in 2009 and beyond. Environmental rating systems like LEED[®] (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) also recognize the importance of Low VOC emissions by awarding credits for the use of Low VOC products. Given such growing interest by government and industry groups, IPS Corporation is pleased to be one of the first companies to play a key role in reducing VOC emissions to the environment.

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About IPS Corporation

IPS Corporation is the trusted leader in manufacturing adhesives, solvent cements, and numerous components and supplies for the plumbing, construction and plastic fabrication industries. IPS Corporation's products are sold under a number of highly regarded brand names, including Weld-On[®], Water-Tite[®], Test-Tite[®], Studor[®], Truebro[®] and Guy Gray[™]. More information can be found at <u>www.ipscorp.com</u>.

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