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Yale® Locks & Hardware, an ASSA ABLOY Group company, donates its 500,000th lockset to Habitat for Humanity

Milestone represents nearly $11 million in products donated to Habitat in United States

Lenoir City, TN, (Dec. 18, 2010) – Yale Locks & Hardware, an ASSA ABLOY Group company, celebrated a major milestone in its 10-year, $11 million partnership with Habitat for Humanity, with the installation of the 500,000th lockset the company has provided for Habitat houses primarily across the United States. The lockset was installed in partnership with Loudon County Habitat for Humanity and a Loudon County Habitat homeowner.

“Yale is very proud to be partners with Habitat for Humanity to secure families in their new homes,” said Dick Krajewski, general manager for Yale Locks & Hardware. “We hope each family feels a sense of pride and accomplishment the first time they unlock the door to their new home and a new beginning.”

The ASSA ABLOY Group and Yale Locks & Hardware joined Habitat’s affordable housing work in 2001 with a commitment of $5 million in interior and
exterior locksets and complimentary technical advice to Habitat affiliates regarding use and installation. Yale renewed this commitment in 2006, exceeding its second $5 million pledge by nearly $1 million. The company also supports Habitat house construction through employee volunteerism on build sites near Group locations in Mason City, Iowa; New Haven, Connecticut; Charlotte, North Carolina; Roanoke, Virginia and New York City to a name a few.

“Yale’s support of Habitat quite literally provides the keys to success and a sense of security, which all people want for themselves and their families,” said Jonathan Reckford, CEO of Habitat for Humanity International. “Yale’s gift in kind allows Habitat affiliates to direct more resources to other construction expenses. We are delighted to celebrate this tremendous milestone, and we are grateful to have Yale as such a faithful and committed partner.”

About Yale
Yale® Locks & Hardware, with plant operations in Lenoir City, Tennessee, develops and manufactures a comprehensive line of door hardware and locks, including an extensive range of mortise and cylindrical locks, exit devices, door closers, electromechanical products and key systems. In addition, YALE offers product expertise that is unsurpassed in the hardware industry. Included in this product field are windstorm certified locks, designer hardware, and photoluminescent and antimicrobial hardware coatings. Visit www.yalelocks.com for complete bored lock, mortise lock, exit device, door closer, and key systems product specifications.
About ASSA ABLOY

ASSA ABLOY is the global leader in door opening solutions, dedicated to satisfying end-user needs for security, safety and convenience.

About Habitat for Humanity International

Habitat for Humanity International is an ecumenical Christian ministry that welcomes to its work all people dedicated to the cause of eliminating poverty housing. Since its founding in 1976, Habitat has built more than 400,000 houses worldwide, providing simple, decent and affordable shelter for more than 2 million people. For more information, visit www.habitat.org.

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