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### *Press Release*

#### **ASSA ABLOY Door Group Brands featured on Discovery Channel's Daily Planet show**

April 17, 2013, New Haven, CT—Team members from ASSA ABLOY Door Group and Architectural Hardware Group have joined forces with Architectural Testing, Inc (ATI) and Discovery Channel. The door and hardware groups supplied product used in blast resistance testing at the ATI facility, located in York, PA. A crew from the Discovery Channel filmed the entire demonstration, and the story aired during a recent episode of the show, which airs daily and features interesting accomplishments in science news.

The ATI facility houses an indoor shock tube that evaluates the resistance of an opening against a bomb blast. Pressures during the test may exceed 1,700 pounds per square foot. This simulates a blast of approximately fifty pounds of TNT at 86 feet from the door opening. Chad Buhrman, director- business development for ATI explains the collaboration between the companies: "The testing and evaluation ATI performs behind the scenes helps manufacturers ensure their products meet applicable safety standards and code requirements. Discovery Channel provided the opportunity to showcase the amount of product development required in order to meet the demands of this intense and challenging testing."

The door and hardware groups provided the product that was used in the testing and has since launched as a complete package to the field as the premier blast resistant opening for government, military, and embassy safety. The 3<sup>rd</sup> party tested blast assembly is offered up to 12 psi (pounds per square inch) peak pressure, with special orders for over 12 psi available as an option. The opening features doors from Ceco Door, CURRIES, Fleming, and Security Metal Products. The corresponding hardware for the assembly is manufactured by Corbin Russwin,

SARGENT, and Yale. Dan Glover, product manager for ASSA ABLOY Door Group was present for the testing and filming. As someone who is very close to the product from inception to completion, it was a milestone for Dan: "We are proud that we are able to validate our solutions as they tested beyond the specification and design intent. Testing confirms our product will perform and provide life safety protection to the occupants. It gives us an extra level of assurance and satisfaction knowing that our product helps save lives. How exciting for our team's efforts to go from paper to product and from concept to customer."

View the video clip from Discovery Channel [here](#).

## **About ASSA ABLOY**

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