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### **Innovators Honored with 2007 Crystal Achievement Awards**

WASHINGTON, DC, September 5, 2007—*Window & Door*, the leading magazine serving the window and door industry, has announced its 2007 Crystal Achievement Award winners. Selected by a panel of judges representing all segments of the industry, the awards recognize significant innovations and achievements in window and door technology, manufacturing and marketing.

“Our Crystal Achievement Award winners this year reflect the expanding number of options our industry offers to builders and homeowners,” says John Swanson, editor/associate publisher, *Window & Door*. “Our judges chose products that deliver added convenience, enhanced performance and greater design freedom. We look forward to highlighting all winners in our September issue.”

Crystal Achievement Awards were presented to the following companies:

#### **Most Innovative Window**

Large Manufacturer: Jeld-Wen

Small/Medium Manufacturer: Gorell Windows & Doors

#### **Most Innovative Door**

Large Manufacturer: Jeld-Wen

Small/Medium Manufacturer: Luxury Windows & Doors

#### **Most Innovative Window Component**

Electronic Window Systems

#### **Most Innovative Door Component**

Kwikset, a Black & Decker Co.

#### **Most Innovative Glazing Technology**

Weather Shield Windows & Doors

#### **Most Innovative Plant**

Great Lakes Window

#### **Most Innovative Machine**

Frame/Sash Fabrication: Stürtz Machinery Inc.

IG Production/Glazing: Sash Systems LLC

**Unique Innovation**

GED Integrated Solutions

**Most Innovative Marketing Program**

Large Manufacturer: Milgard Windows & Doors

Small/Medium Manufacturer: Avonni Windows

Supplier: Cardinal Glass Industries Inc.

**Best Product Literature**

Large Manufacturer: Loewen

Small/Medium Manufacturer: Vytex Windows

Supplier: Truseal Technologies Inc.

**Best Industry Web Site**

Large Manufacturer: Jeld-Wen

Small/Medium Manufacturer: Soft-Lite Windows

Supplier: Sashlite LLC

“Our judges had a tough job this year. We received more than 160 nominations—shattering our previous record,” Swanson continues. “Companies are clearly looking to innovate, so the future for our industry is very exciting.”

All the 2007 Crystal Achievement Award-winning products, equipment and programs will be featured in the September issue of *Window & Door*. *Window & Door* will also highlight winners at its booth at GlassBuild America: The Glass, Window & Door Expo, September 10-12, in Atlanta. For more information, visit [www.glassbuild.com](http://www.glassbuild.com).

**About *Window & Door***

*Window & Door* is the leading trade publication serving the fenestration industry. Its subscribers include more than 27,000 manufacturers, distributors, and dealers of windows, doors, skylights and other fenestration products. More information about the publication can be found at [www.WindowandDoor.net](http://www.WindowandDoor.net).

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