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CBC Flooring Relocating to North Carolina

Expands Warehouse, Prepares for Growth

Commack, NY - CBC AMERICAS Corporation, based here since 1960, announced it will invest \$3.5 million to strategically relocate its headquarters and east coast warehousing to North Carolina by summer's end.

The move will allow CBC Flooring, one of its divisions, to better service its expanding east coast customer base from a more centralized location while creating 100 new high-paying jobs, according to Mike Ozimek, CEO of CBC AMERICAS Corporation.

Seventy jobs with average annual salaries of \$85,962 will be created when CBC Flooring moves into its Cary, N.C. headquarters this summer. Likewise, 30 warehouse-related positions with average annual salaries of \$36,128 will be created when CBC Flooring consolidates its east coast warehousing to Mebane, N.C. later this year, according to Ozimek.

CBC Flooring will retain its west coast warehouse based in Torrance, California, said Chip Braulick, Director of CBC Flooring. "Having centralized warehousing on both coasts, along with sales and marketing headquartered in North Carolina, will enable us to be more efficient, reduce costs and provide better service to our customer base."

This move is also in preparation for expansion of the overall business, including recent additions of indoor/outdoor vinyl treads and product line extensions of its LVT collection with an 8 mil construction targeting the multi-family market segment.

A division of Japanese-owned CBC AMERICAS, CBC Flooring has been at the forefront of commercial resilient floor covering since its introduction of the Toli brand over 25 years ago. In addition to Toli, the organization's offering includes PVC-free and unique commercial resilient flooring under the Halo, Ceres and Takiron brands.

About CBC Flooring

Headquartered in Cary, N.C., CBC Flooring has been a leader in the North, South, and Central American commercial resilient flooring markets since its introduction of the TOLI brand more than 25 years ago. Operating in accordance with the company's EcoVision policy — which strives to reduce waste, limit the consumption of natural resources, and preserve Earth's environment for future generations — CBC Flooring brands TOLI International[®], CERES™ PVC-Free Flooring, Halo[®], and Takiron® all meet strict guidelines for high recycled content, high performance wear surfaces that result in reduced maintenance, PVC-free options, and improved indoor air quality, and are each members of the US Green Building Council. Additionally, all CBC Flooring brands are both ISO 9001 and ISO 14001 compliant.

CBC Flooring is a division of CBC AMERICAS Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of the Tokyo-based CBC Group, and part of a global network of import, export, trading, and distribution companies strategically located throughout the world. The largest organization of CBC's companies, CBC AMERICAS Corp. has divisions in security products, chemicals, pharmaceuticals, plastics, resins, and flooring.

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