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Uvex Inspires Safety With New Uvex ExtremePro™ Protective Eyewear

Rugged design and advanced coatings stand up to the most extreme work environments

SMITHFIELD, R.I. — February 10, 2010 — Sperian Protection, the world leader in personal protective equipment (PPE), today announced that its flagship brand, Uvex®, has launched the new Uvex ExtremePro™ style of safety eyewear. Uvex ExtremePro stands up to the most extreme environments - including intense heat and humidity - making it ideal for work in foundries, chemical plants, metalworking, machining, pulp and paper, shipbuilding, and the oil and gas industries. Featuring the most advanced coatings and innovative comfort features, Uvex ExtremePro lasts longer and performs better in rugged environments that demand site-specific eye protection.

Uvex ExtremePro is available with Uvex's new Supra-Dura™ anti-scratch coating that provides five times more scratch resistance than other coatings on the market, Uvextreme® Plus anti-fog coating or Dura-streme® dual anti-fog/anti-scratch coating. The style's replaceable MoistureWick™ brow accessory absorbs and wicks away perspiration to keep lenses clear in high heat and humidity.

Uvex ExtremePro's GripClick™ frame width adjustment and FlexFit™ bendable temples and nosepieces ensure a comfortable, customized fit for most face sizes. Four-position ratcheting temples make it easy to adjust the lens angle for a close fit. The eyewear meets the ANSI Z87.1- 2003 (high impact) and CSA Z94.3 safety standards and comes with a lifetime frame guarantee.

"We developed Uvex ExtremePro based on extensive research and surveys of safety managers throughout the Americas, whose foremost hurdle was selecting the proper eyewear for the job among such a broad - even overwhelming - product spectrum," said David Iannelli, senior product manager for Uvex. "Because Uvex ExtremePro is designed to excel in environments with the toughest fogging, scratching and sweating, it has never been easier to choose the best-suited safety eyewear for these jobs."

Uvex ExtremePro is one of three new styles introduced in Uvex's new Specifix™ collection, which also includes Uvex VersaPro™ and Uvex PrecisionPro™ protective eyewear. Each style is designed to meet the unique needs of workers in the specific industries they serve. The Specifix collection embodies Uvex's unparalleled commitment to product innovation and a workplace culture of safety.

More information about the entire Specifix collection and multimedia product demonstrations are available at www.UvexSpecifix.com.

About Uvex

Uvex is the world's top-selling protective eyewear brand. Through high-performing products and innovative services, Uvex is the brand that inspires people to heighten awareness, increase productivity and foster a culture of safety in the workplace. For more than 60 years, Uvex has delivered the most advanced coatings, styles and materials to protect workers in every industry. Its commitment to rigorous testing and extensive research and development ensures that every Uvex style meets or exceeds industry safety standards while delivering unparalleled comfort. The brand's unique service offerings enable safety managers to access Uvex expertise,

educational tools, programs and references to build and sustain best-in-class safety platforms. Sperian Protection offers Uvex® branded products exclusively in the Americas. For more information please visit www.uvex.us.

About Sperian Protection

With nearly 6,000 employees worldwide, Sperian Protection serves the global personal protective equipment (PPE) industry, providing hearing, eye, respiratory, fall, body and hand protection. As a world leader in multiple PPE categories, Sperian is committed to offering innovative products adapted to high-risk environments so that workers in the manufacturing and services industries can work with confidence. For more information, please visit www.sperian.com. Sperian Protection is listed on NYSE Euronext and is part of the SBF120. It is eligible for the SRD deferred settlement system.

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