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***Dutch Furniture Manufacturer Ahrend International Appoints
Chris Grover to Head Up U.S. Sales, Marketing***

Amsterdam, Netherlands and Muscatine, Iowa – *November, 2006* – Amsterdam-based Ahrend, along with its North American distribution partner Allsteel, have benefited from the industry's continued interest in European design and the association it has for successfully combining beauty and functionality. Several significant projects have recently featured Ahrend products and Allsteel service through the Ahrend/Allsteel partnership.

This affiliation between Ahrend and Allsteel has been so successful that Peter Paul Hendriks, Ahrend Vice President of International Business, announced that Ahrend is continuing to expand its presence in the United States by appointing Chris Grover to the new position of Vice President, Ahrend USA Inc.

Hendriks noted Grover will work closely with Allsteel's senior management team, including its new Ahrend Alliance Manager, Mark Kottman, to build and intensify the brand's current and rapidly expanding U.S. presence. Kottman, who has held several management positions for Allsteel, was recently appointed to oversee the Allsteel side of the partnership, according to Martin Scaglione, Allsteel Vice President, Sales.

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Grover's position is effective January 1, 2007, and he will be based in New York City, where he will work closely Kottman and the Allsteel team. Their combined focus will be the development of opportunities relating to international and corporate accounts and A&D-driven business opportunities. In addition to sales and relationship building roles, their responsibilities will also include expanding Ahrend's brand and the Ahrend/Allsteel alliance awareness.

Grover has worked in a range of sales managerial positions at Ahrend since 1989, where he gained extensive international experience, initially assuming responsibility for sales activities in the Far East in 1995. In 2001, he moved into the role of Manager of International Business Development, and began directing and developing the brand's international key accounts and executed its sales, distribution and promotion strategy.

Kottman's previous role at Allsteel was Product Business Manager, where he helped launch the NeoCon Gold winning Merge table collection and Allsteel's award-winning Get Set™ training products line.

In 2004, Ahrend and Allsteel signed a distribution and sales agreement for the United States and Canada for Allsteel to distribute and service the Ahrend line. Since that time, significant installations of Ahrend furniture include projects at Reebok, American Express, Real Foundations, SOM and Perkins Eastman.

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About Allsteel Inc.

Allsteel Inc. designs, builds and delivers relevant and innovative workplace furniture solutions with advanced functionality and lifetime durability. The company has Resource Centers in Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Los Angeles, New York, San Francisco and Washington, D.C. For more information please visit www.allsteeloffice.com/ahrend.

About Ahrend

Royal Ahrend NV creates products for elegant office environments where people can work professionally, productively and with satisfaction. Ahrend is active worldwide in the field of office furnishing, both through its own establishments and via successful alliances with leading market players. The range of products offered by Ahrend as a designer and manufacturer of recognizable, timeless Dutch Design furniture includes Mehes, Ahrend 700, Ahrend 500, Ahrend 350 and other award-winning chairs, tables and storage systems.

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