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Continental announces 2008 On-Premise Laundry Distributor of the Year awards

Oshkosh, Wis. – Continental Girbau Inc. recognized four distributors for excellence in on-premise laundry sales and service during Clean '09, in New Orleans.

Darling Sales and Service, of Blaine, Minn., received Continental's 2008 On-premise Laundry Distributor of the Year award for exceptional on-premise laundry product, sales, service and support. Simultaneously, recognized for excellence in both the vended and on-premise laundry markets, Skyline Equipment, Inc. of Houston, Tex., received Continental's Distributor of the Year award; and Coronet Equipment Ltd. of Edmonton, Alberta, received the 2008 Canadian Distributor of the Year award. Additionally, Haddon Equipment and Supply, of Vancouver, British Columbia, received the 2008 Outstanding New Distributor award.

- Darling Sales and Service delivers high-quality laundry equipment and services to hotels, spas, health clubs, self-service laundries, nursing homes, fire departments and more. A full-service distributorship, Darling Sales and Service houses a large parts department and highly trained technical service staff. The company works closely with customers to improve on-premise laundry productivity and efficiency through assistance with financial planning and selection of advanced laundry equipment to slash utilities and energy consumption.

"Darling Sales and Service has been a perennial winner of our Distributor of the Year awards for constantly providing the highest caliber of service and creating a business base that is almost impossible for competitors to overcome," said Joel Jorgensen, Continental vice president

of sales and customer services. "They are well-known and respected by their customers because they provide unmatched service and expertise."

Discover more about Darling at www.darlingsales.com.

- Skyline Equipment has been a superior performer in the on-premise and vended laundry industries for more than 35 years. The veteran company provides a full breadth of laundry consulting services, equipment, services and parts to benefit customers within their Texas territory. Skyline Equipment operates from a 10,000-square-foot facility that houses large parts, equipment and service areas to ensure quick turn-around and convenience for customers.

"Skyline has been a consistent performer in the on-premise market year after year," said Jorgensen. "In 2008, they made it their own specific goal to excel in the vended laundry industry as well. They ended up finishing strong in both areas and have exceeded everyone's expectations."

Visit Skyline at www.skylineequipmentco.com.

- Coronet Equipment received Continental's Canadian Distributor of the Year award, recognizing the company for outstanding on-premise and vended laundry sales and support. "Coronet is our number one distributor in Canada," said Jorgensen. A service-based organization, Coronet handles Continental on-premise and vended laundry equipment distribution in Saskatchewan and the Northern Canadian territories. "The Coronet team has done an excellent job of providing comprehensive service to an expansive geographic territory," said Jorgensen. "They have excelled in service, parts and sales in both the on-premise and vended segments, and have become a great staff known for quality service and reliability."

Visit Coronet at www.coronetequipment.com.

- Haddon Equipment and Supply is an employee-owned and operated laundry equipment company that has served British Columbia and Yukon since 1953. Their dedication to sales and service earned them a reputation for excellence in the market.

"Continental started its relationship with Haddon in late 2007, and it has blossomed ever since," said Jorgensen. "Our businesses have been very complimentary to each other and we have been able to excel in a market that we have never had much success in. We are pleased

with the great things that have come from Haddon during 2008, and look forward to even more success in the future.”

Find out more about Haddon at www.haddonholdings.com.

Continental Girbau, Inc. is the largest of nine subsidiaries of Girbau S.A., based in Vic, Spain. Girbau S.A. laundry products – marketed throughout 80 countries worldwide – meet rigorous environmental and safety standards established by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO). Girbau S.A. holds both ISO9001 and ISO14001 certifications. Ever focused on laundry efficiency, Continental Girbau is a member of the U.S. Green Building Council (USGB), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that developed the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building Rating System.

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Eric Briggs and Donna Tiede of Skyline Equipment (center) receive Continental Girbau's Distributor of the Year Award from Tom Searl, Continentals Western regional sales manager (left) and Mike Floyd, president of Continental (right).



Coronet Equipment Ltd received Continental's 2008 Canadian Distributor of the Year Award. Pictured from left, Joel Jorgensen, Continental's vice president of sales and customer services, Continental President Mike Floyd, Brad Rosin, Terry Rosin, and Rick Geldart of Coronet Equipment and Seth Willer, Central regional sales manager of Continental.



Haddon Equipment and Supply were recognized as Continentals Outstanding New Distributor of the Year. Pictured from left, Joel Jorgensen, vice president of sales and customer services of Continental, Keith Percival Smith of Haddon, Shane Bichin of Haddon, Seth Willer, Central regional sales manager of Continental and Tom Phillips of Haddon.