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VALLI & VALLI WINS 2007 GOOD DESIGN™ AWARD

The Chicago Athenaeum Recognizes Company for Excellence in Hardware Design

NEW YORK – Valli & Valli, the leading Italian manufacturer of door and cabinet hardware, has won the 2007 Good Design Award in the Hardware category for the ‘Eodora’ door handle designed by Skidmore, Owings + Merrill. The simple, elegant door handle is formed by a single bold stroke that implies the motion required to operate it. The twisting shape morphs from a cylinder to an ellipse to comfortably accommodate the hand while announcing the function.

The Chicago Athenaeum: Museum of Architecture and Design sponsors the Good Design Award. The program was founded in 1950 by Edgard Kaufmann, Jr. with the participation of some of the 20th century’s most important designers: Eero Saarinen, Charles and Ray Eames, Alexander Girard, George Nelson, Florence Knoll, Harry Bretoia, Finn Juhl, and Russel Wright. Good Design is the oldest and one of the most respected design award competitions in the world

“We are honored to receive such a prestigious award,” said Marinella Formenti, Director of Valli & Valli, USA Inc. “Valli & Valli takes pride in sophisticated design and superior craftsmanship and this recognition by the design community makes our efforts worthwhile.”

ABOUT VALLI & VALLI

Valli & Valli was founded in 1934 and remains a Valli family business. The company prides itself on its functional yet distinctive designs, uncompromising craftsmanship, and quality production. Valli & Valli handles have been installed in projects spanning the globe, including: the AOL Time Warner building, New York; the Bulgari Hotel, Milan;

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the Mandarin Oriental Hotel, Miami; and the Bellagio Hotel, Las Vegas. The company's products are manufactured near Milan, and are distributed in Austria, France, Germany, England, Ireland, the United States and Hong Kong. More information about Valli & Valli is available at: www.vallivalli-us.com.

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