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New Uvex Slate™ Safety Eyewear Adds Style and Comfort to Protection and Functionality

Sleek, Wrap-Around Metal Frame Offers Industrial Protection with a Stylish Look

SMITHFIELD, R.I. – May 8, 2007 – Uvex®, the leader in safety eyewear, today announced the launch of its newest protective eyewear, the Uvex Slate. With its nine-base wrap-around dual lens design, premium comfort features and a sunglass look, the Uvex Slate provides wearers with full-time protection, comfort and style.

The Uvex Slate offers premium comfort features that include spring hinge temples, which easily adapt to a variety of facial features, maximizing comfort and encouraging a secure fit. An adjustable saddle pad nose piece and soft temple tip pads further enhance comfort and help increase wear – and therefore compliance – in the workplace. Available in Clear, Gray and Gold Mirror lens tints and with both hardcoat and anti-fog lens coatings, the Uvex Slate is ideal for most indoor and outdoor applications.



“One of the biggest challenges employers face today is safety compliance. Employees do not want to wear safety eyewear that is uncomfortable or unattractive,” said Ariel Rodriguez, Product Manager, Uvex. “With its excellent coverage, lightweight metal frame, premium comfort features and sunglass styling, the Uvex Slate provides employers with a protective eyewear option that employees will want to wear.”

The Uvex Slate eyewear complies with ANSI Z87+ and CSA Z94.3 standards.

All Uvex lenses offer 99.9 percent ultra-violet protection and are available in a variety of tints.

Photos of the Uvex Slate are available to the media upon request. Please refer to the 2007 Bacou-Dalloz Safety Products catalog for complete product details and ordering information or visit www.uvex.us.

About Uvex

The world’s top-selling protective eyewear brand, Uvex has been an acknowledged leader in safety eyewear innovation for more than fifty years. The pioneer of many groundbreaking innovations such as a cost effective silicone goggle body and MMT — Multi-Material Technology®, Uvex is a leading brand of the Bacou-Dalloz Group. Bacou-Dalloz sells Uvex branded safety eyewear and face protection products only in the Americas. For more information, please visit www.uvex.us.

About Bacou-Dalloz

Bacou-Dalloz is the world leader in the design, manufacture and sale of personal protective equipment, offering a comprehensive range of safety products designed to protect people from hazards in the workplace. The Group specializes in head protection equipment (eye and face, respiratory and hearing protection), body protection equipment (clothing, gloves and footwear) and fall protection equipment. With a worldwide presence and over 6,000 employees, Bacou-Dalloz endeavors to contribute to ongoing improvements in workplace health and safety by providing innovative, comfort-engineered products that workers want to wear. The Group's products are sold through a worldwide network of distributor partners for use in all sectors of activity (construction, manufacturing, telecommunications, homeland security, petrochemicals, medical, public services, etc.). Bacou-Dalloz is listed on the Premier Marché of the Euronext stock exchange in Paris, and is part of the SBF 120 index.

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