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Sperian Protection, Makers of Uvex® Brand Eye & Face Protection, Donates \$5,000 to Prevent Blindness America

Smithfield, RI – *February 5, 2009* – **Sperian Protection**, the world leader in Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), donated \$5,000 to Prevent Blindness America recently, as part of a fundraising effort at September's NSC Congress & Expo in Anaheim, CA. For each attendee badge scanned at the Uvex booth, Sperian Protection made a donation to Prevent Blindness.

"We are so pleased to make this contribution," said Peggy Costabile, Director of Strategic Development at Sperian Eye & Face Protection "The mission of Prevent Blindness America is perfectly aligned with our goal of working to reduce the number of eye injuries and helping to build a culture of safety both in the workplace and at home. We hope that this partnership will help raise awareness for these efforts."

Founded in 1908, Prevent Blindness America is the nation's leading volunteer eye health and safety organization dedicated to fighting blindness and saving sight. Focused on promoting a continuum of vision care, Prevent Blindness America touches the lives of millions of people each year.

"We want to thank Sperian Protection for their generous contribution to our organization as well as for their continued dedication to preventing serious eye injuries," said Hugh R. Parry, president and CEO of Prevent Blindness America.

About Uvex by Spierian

Uvex by Spierian is the leading U.S. brand of premium quality, state-of-the-art, feature-rich safety spectacles, goggles and face shields that offer comfort and innovation without compromise. The world's top-selling protective eyewear brand, Uvex has been an acknowledged leader in safety eyewear innovation for more than 50 years and is the pioneer of many groundbreaking innovations such as Dura-streme™ Dual Coating Technology offering combined Anti-fog / Anti-Scratch lenses with 3x longer life, a cost-effective silicone goggle body and MMT — Multi-Material Technology®. Sperian Protection offers Uvex branded safety eyewear and face protection 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.sperianprotection.com.

Sperian Protection is listed on Euronext's Eurolist and on the SBF120. It is eligible for the SRD deferred settlement system.

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