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# EPA RECOGNIZES ICB, LLC - SAMSON CARTS/CRATEXPRESS AMONG NATION'S LEADING GREEN POWER PURCHASERS

#### ICB, LLC - SAMSON CARTS/CRATEXPRESS REDUCES CARBON FOOTPRINT WITH GREEN POWER PURCHASE

#### AND PARTNERS WITH EPA

**Chicago, IL, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008** - ICB, LLC - Samson Carts/CrateXpress today announced its purchase of green power and its partnership with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Green Power Partnership. ICB, LLC - Samson Carts/CrateXpress is purchasing more than 220,000 kilowatt-hours (kWh) of green power annually, which is enough to meet 50 percent of the organization's purchased electricity use. ICB, LLC - Samson Carts/CrateXpress is buying renewable energy certificates (RECs) from Sterling Planet, a leading national supplier of green power products.

"This is a huge honor and we are proud to be recognized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency," said David L. King, President. "Purchasing green power helps our organization become more sustainable, while also sending a message to others across the U.S. that supporting clean sources of electricity is a sound business decision and an important choice in reducing climate risk."

Green power is electricity that is generated from environmentally preferable renewable resources, such as wind, solar, geothermal, biogas, biomass and low-impact hydro. These resources generate electricity with a net zero increase in carbon dioxide emissions, while offering a superior environmental profile compared to traditional power generation sources. Green power purchases also support the development of new renewable energy generation sources nationwide.

According to the U.S. EPA, ICB, LLC - Samson Carts/CrateXpress' green power purchase of more than 220,000 (kWh) is equivalent to avoiding the carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) emissions of more than 31 passenger vehicles per year, or is the equivalent amount of electricity needed to power nearly 23 average American homes annually.

Samson Carts has undergone Indoor Air Quality emissions testing by an independent laboratory and is currently listed on the Greenguard website as a low-emitting product. ICB, LLC - Samson Carts/CrateXpress has adopted the Social Accountability Institute's SA8000 standard and is currently being audited and evaluated for Cradle-To-Cradle Sustainability certification.

### About ICB, LLC - Samson Carts/CrateXpress

ICB, LLC is the parent company of CrateXpress, a corporate relocation equipment rental company based in Chicago and manufacturer of Samson Carts. ICB, LLC, is a product manufacturer lead by a 24-year Facility Management veteran, David L. King AIA, CFM, with a vision to help Facility and Relocation professionals realize better and safer product offerings. ICB, LLC is a designer and manufacturer of certified sustainable, environmentally conscious products for material handling with a focus on Facility Management. We design products that are improvements on known commodities and that create innovative new ways to address old problems, problems that are identified by professionals in the Facility and operations industry. This revolutionary design features a patented six-shelf foldable book/utility cart made of lightweight structural plastic that eliminates the need for outdated plywood fixed-shelf book carts and metal utility carts. www.samsoncarts.com

# **About Sterling Planet**

Winner of the U.S. Department of Energy 2007 Renewable Energy Marketer of the Year award, Sterling Planet is a sustainability pioneer and innovative supplier of renewable energy, energy efficiency and low-carbon solutions. Sterling Planet develops new renewable energy and greenhouse gas reduction projects and offers integrated products and services to a broad client base, delivering supply- and demand-side solutions in the rapidly expanding environmental





market. The company was the first green power marketer to join the U.S. Green Building Council and to set a corporate greenhouse gas reduction goal as a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Climate Leaders Partner. Since 2001, sales of renewable energy to 1,355 business clients, 47 colleges and universities, 138 government agencies, 58 utilities and thousands of residential customers have avoided more than 25 billon pounds of carbon dioxide emissions, which compares to taking 2.3 million cars off the road for a year. www.sterlingplanet.com

## About EPA's Green Power Partnership

The Green Power Partnership is a voluntary program that encourages organizations to buy green power as a way to reduce the environmental impacts associated with purchased electricity use. The Partnership currently has hundreds of Partner organizations voluntarily purchasing billions of kilowatt-hours of green power annually. Partners include a wide variety of leading organizations such as Fortune 500 companies, small and medium sized businesses, local, state, and federal governments, and colleges and universities. For additional information, please visit http://www.epa.gov/greenpower.