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Hörmann Announces Full Line of Pinch-Resistant Doors

In August, after completely retooling and renovating its manufacturing and engineering capacities, Hörmann announced a new full line of pinch-resistant FingerGuard residential steel garage doors.

The new doors will include a variety of designs: traditional, ranch, country, cottage, and flush. Color selection includes white, sandstone, almond, brown, teratone, desert tan, deep crimson, and hunter green.

The new line includes the following series:

- Gemini: a 2"-thick non-insulated door with 25- or 24-gauge steel exterior, available with polystyrene insulation and a vinyl back cover.
- Orion: a 2" or 1-3/8"-thick sandwich EPS door with a 25-gauge steel exterior.
- Taurus: a 1-3/4"-thick door with CFC-free polyurethane foam core enclosed by 25-gauge steel.
- Phoenix: a 2"-thick carriage house door with EPS insulation and a 25-gauge steel exterior.

All doors come with a woodgrain Rainslope surface, high-durability hardware, and an "unparalleled warranty offering." *www.hormann.us*



Napoleon/Lynx Announces Foldable Weatherseal

In August, Napoleon/Lynx announced Smart-Seal, a new foldable weatherseal that can be shipped easily via UPS. This patented design allows 16' and 18' pieces to fold in half so they can be boxed and shipped much cheaper than standard LTL shipments. The material is still rigid and the same size and thickness as traditional weather seals, but with a patented flexible surface that allows it to be cut and folded in half.

When installed, the gap is not visible. With the fold in the middle of a long length, one side can be easily nailed in place while the opposite side rests on the floor. The material can be cut in the field for mitered corners.

The new weatherseal is available in white, brown, almond, and sandstone. It can be packaged in kits, which would include the long length folded and the two side pieces.

www.lynx-nsw.com

Speed-Guardian 2400 FV Introduced by Hörmann Flexon



In August, Hörmann Flexon launched the Speed-Guardian 2400 FV full-view door with spiral guide technology. This high-performance door has a total panel thickness of 1-1/4" with 6-1/4"-high window slats the entire height of the door panel.

Like the Speed-Guardian 2000, the 2400 FV features an opening speed of up to 80" per second and a selfmonitoring direct-drive motor. Product options include low-headroom tracks and a 7'0" light curtain for enhanced safety. *www.hormann-flexon.com*

C.H.I. Improves Base Section, Qualifies for Tax Credit

In July, C.H.I. Overhead Doors announced a thicker base section that allows its premier line of carriage house doors to qualify for the energy tax credit. The 5300, 5400, and 5500 series now

feature a 2" insulated base section for greater strength and energy efficiency.

The new design increases the overall door thickness to 2-5/8", and the R-value of each model has increased significantly. The 5500 series, for example, has increased its R-value from 6.29 to 9.57. www.chiohd.com



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Martin Launches the Aluminum Avignon

In August, Martin Door announced the new Avignon, an aluminum garage door with a swinging-door look. The door is available in hundreds of combinations of windows, colors, and styles.

"It's a new look and a new approach for the garage door market," Dave Haslam, national director of sales.

The Avignon is named after a city in southern France. *www.martindoor.com*

1st United Introduces Universal Series

In July, 1st United Door Technologies introduced the Universal Series of raised-panel garage doors in three models of 24- and 25-gauge steel.

The Model 225 features 25-gauge steel, and the Model 224 uses 24-gauge steel. The doors are available in white, almond, sandstone, and brown.

The Model 625 is an insulated sandwich door. Formed with a unique sculpted raised panel, the Model 625 core is CFC-free polystyrene insulation with a 25-gauge steel back. *www.firstudt.com*



Valspar Announces New Coating

In August, Valspar introduced Granite, a new polyester coating developed for pre-painted metal products such as garage doors. Granite coatings are available in a wide spectrum of colors with low, medium, or high gloss.

Valspar chemists developed the coating in 2008 when challenged to provide superior flexibility, scratch and stain resistance, and advanced adhesion performance in moist environments.

The Granite coating was designed as a single-coat application over aluminum. A primer should be used over steel. Carbon slurry lab tests show that Granite coatings can be cleaned faster and more completely than traditional acrylics and competitive polyesters. www.valspar.com



Hörmann Introduces New Commercial Door Line

In August, along with the launch of its pinch-resistant residential steel doors, Hörmann also introduced its new line of pinch-resistant commercial sectional steel doors. German engineered, the doors are American made at the Montgomery, Ill., plant, which has recently been completely renovated and retooled.

The new commercial doors are available in ribbed, flush, and raised-panel designs, in a stucco, woodgrain, or a smooth texture. Colors are white, sandstone, brown, and industrial grey.

The new offering includes:

- H-225P/H-224P, a 2"-thick non-insulated door in 25- or 24-gauge steel. Polystyrene insulation with vinyl back cover is available.
- H-200S, a 2"-thick sandwich door with EPS insulation, available in 25-gauge steel.
- H-300U, a 1-3/4"-thick door with CFC-free polyurethane insulation, available in 26-gauge steel.

All doors come with FingerGuard pinch-resistant section joints, unique precision hinges, and an "unparalleled warranty offering." *www.hormann.us*



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Martin Launches Hybrid Door With Smooth Panels

In August, Martin Door announced the Kensington, a steel garage door with smooth flush panels and carriage-house-style windows mounted in aluminum frames.

The new door meets a customer need for a smooth panel on a carriage house door, according to David Haslam, national director of sales.

The Kensington door is named after an affluent suburb of London, known for its museum district and gardens. *www.martindoor.com*



Janus Completes UL Burn Testing

On July 31. Janus announced the successful completion of fire door burn testing at the Underwriters Laboratories (UL) facility in Northbrook, Ill. The Janus Sure-Set fire door was awarded a 45-minute and 90-minute UL label for sheetrock and non-masonry walls, and a 3-hour



and 4-hour UL label for masonry walls.

The Sure-Set fire door also offers an optional UL "S" Label for smoke and draft control. *www.janusintl.com*

1st United Launches New Product Line

In June, 1st United Door Technologies introduced the Resurrection Series of steel sectional garage doors in a raised-panel design. The doors include the exclusive RITS "Reinforced Integral Truss System" design for increased section strength. The Apache and Rawhide series are 2"-thick doors with tongue-andgroove meeting rails.

Apache is 26 gauge, and Rawhide is 24 gauge. Apache comes with 21" sections, a shadow groove, and in white only. Rawhide comes with 18" and 21"



sections, no shadow groove, and in white, almond, sandstone, and brown. *www.firstudt.com*

Amarr Wood Doors Receive Certifications

In August, Amarr announced that its wood carriage house doors recently received the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) Chain of Custody certification.

This certification identifies where the door's wood originates and certifies the product wood is from legally harvested wood. Doors with FSC certification can only be shipped directly from a wood door vendor to certified FSC entities in order to not break the chain of custody.

These doors, with or without windows, meet the 0.30 U-factor and the 0.30 SHGC requirements for the 2009-2010 U.S. energy tax credit.



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Amarr Introduces New End-Bearing Plates

In September, Amarr introduced a new vertical-lift factory-installed end-bearing plate for 2" and 3" track. The new bearing plate is available with a 1" or 1-1/4" bore steel bearing and will be incorporated into the upper vertical track assembly with a fixed bearing position.



The new plate eliminates the need for multiple end-

bearing plates to accommodate varying drum sizes.

Also in September, Amarr introduced new universal adjustable end-bearing plates for its standard-lift and high-lift commercial doors. The new end-bearing plate is adjustable from 3-3/8" to 6" shaft spacing and accommodates a wide range of drums. *www.amarr.com*



Eden Coast Introduces Colonial Series Doors

At Expo 2009, Eden Coast exhibited its new Colonial Series door line that features a "totally maintenance-free" carriage style door.

The doors are constructed with reinforced board made from recycled glass material that is impervious to all weather. It has been used in the marine industry with no rotting, splitting, warping, mold, or termite damage.

"Our manufacturing process and 16 different pre-finished stain options allow every customer to truly customize any door," says Duane Laricey, CEO.

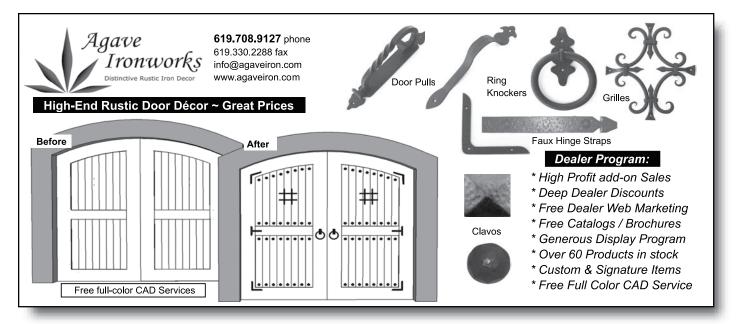
The doors, overlaid on sandwich and vinyl-back commercial steel sections, carry a 5-year warranty on the finish and a 10-year warranty on the product. *www.edencoast.com*

Solar Gate Operators Qualify for Tax Credit

In August, Chamberlain identified its solar-powered LiftMaster and Elite Series gate operators that qualify for the U.S. tax credit.

Qualifying products include the Elite RoboSlide residential slide gate operator with optional "Solar 3" 12-volt power system, the Elite RoboSwing residential swing gate operator with optional "Solar 3" 12-volt power system, the LiftMaster LA412 solar-powered residential swing gate operator, and the LiftMaster SW425 solar-powered residential swing gate operator system. *www.chamberlain.com*





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Wayne-Dalton Launches New Z-Wave Controls

In August, Wayne-Dalton announced the release of two new products for its line of Z-Wave Home Controls: a 3-way dimmer switch and a light kit. These products can tie in with Wayne-Dalton's Z-Wave-enabled garage door openers, the idrive Pro, and prodrive models, giving homeowners the ability to control their lights from their cars and from their homes.

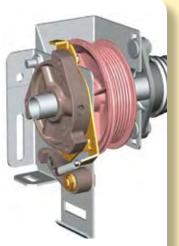
The dimmer can replace existing wall switches with incandescent loads, and the light kit can be used with a small spiral compact fluorescent lamp (CFL).

Multiple light kits can be linked to a Z-Wave-enabled operator. A five-minute timer on the opener can turn the light on and off. A multi-function wireless wall-station light button is available that can operate the Z-Wave-enabled light kit. www.wayne-dalton.com



Martin Adds Controlled Descent Device Kits

In August, Martin Door announced that its Controlled Descent Device is now available as a retrofit option for older garage doors. The device



controls the descent

of a door that falls because of a relaxed spring, a broken spring, or broken lift cables, or after the emergency release cord is pulled.

Dave Martin, chairman, says the device gives the owner a lifetime of protection and offers the most value on a door with an opener. *www.martindoor.com*

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Janus Expands Line of Portable Storage Units

In August, Janus announced that it had expanded its line of portable storage containers. In addition to their MASS (Moveable Additional Storage Structures) units, Janus has added four more container styles.

Some models are foldable and can be erected in 15 minutes, while others are stackable. Since these structures are classified as equipment, they may carry tax advantages and eliminate lengthy zoning procedures. www.janusintl.com

U.S. Door Receives Wind-Load Certifications

In July, the Florida Building Commission issued wind-load certifications for U.S. Door & Building Components' models 501-30, 501-42, 502-30, 502-42, and 652-30.

In addition to design loads up to 66.1 PSF, the product line has incorporated a new universal guide system and nylon windlocks. The improved guide can be used on masonry, steel, or wood jambs and allows for simpler installation.

Jamb clips have been eliminated, decreasing the required sideroom by 1.75". www.usdoor.com



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