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GRAFF opens first US showroom

Chicago — GRAFF, European manufacturer of contemporary precision-engineered bath and kitchen products, has opened it's first U.S. showroom in the Luxe-Home section of the Merchandise Mart in Chicago. The company's new flagship showroom joins over

35 boutiques featuring kitchen, bath and building products from brands worldwide.

GRAFF's showroom theme, entitled "Art of the Bath Gallery," is a concept developed by product designer Davide Oppizzi in collaboration with DCube Design. Oppizzi was inspired by the beauty of art masterpieces and the reinterpretation of classicism and tradition into contemporary form. Located in suite 103, the space features the latest series of bathtubs, sinks, and vanities along with the brand's core faucets,

showers and accessories.

The gallery displays five iconic artworks reinterpreted by photographer Vincent Calmel. Each area of the showroom is customized with a Calmel piece, and a product collection to complement it.

Visit www.graffindustries.com



Smithfield Plumbing and Heating Supply announces new center

SMITHFIELD, R.I. — In an effort to help its customers and assist the plumbing industry in a variety of useful ways, Smithfield Plumbing and Heating Supply Company has announced an employee-designed and -built, hands-on training center at its headquarters here.

Being employee designed and built, Smithfield stressed that the facility will be able to cater to all of its customers' training needs, whether it be in the plumbing, heating, or air conditioning field. The room has been designed to adapt to all different products and technology, and has the ability to transform as new products and new technology appear on the market.

Smithfield Plumbing and Heating Supply is owned by Rico Colaluca and operated by his son Aaron Colaluca, making this the second generation to take over. This past fall marked 40 years for the company.

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Dakota Supply Group hires new CFO

Fargo, N.D. — Dakota Supply Group (DSG) has hired Mark Feeney as its new Chief Financial Officer (CFO). Feeney will lead DSG's financial management efforts

setting financial objectives and oversee the company's accounting department.

Before joining DSG, Feeney spent 20 years in financing in a variety of

a variety of Mark Feeney sectors, including manufacturing, construction, real estate and healthcare.

"Mark brings a good deal of experience to our financial team," says Todd Kumm, CEO, DSG. "He has a proven track record of financial success, and his high-energy, results-driven approach will serve to strengthen us internally so that we can be an even stronger partner for our customers."

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