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Stanco Metal Products, Inc. Receives Women's Business Enterprise Certification

Grand Haven, Michigan – Stanco Metal Products, Inc., with locations in Grand Haven, Michigan, Williamston, South Carolina and Santa Teresa, New Mexico, is pleased to announce that Stanco has been certified by the Great Lakes Business Council and the Women's Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC) as a woman-owned, operated and controlled business. Stanco Metal Products is solely-owned and operated by CEO Linda Slagel. Ms. Slagel is the third generation owner and the granddaughter of Stanco founder, Warren Stansberry, Sr.

Stansberry started the business in 1917 as a manufacturer of household wire products, primarily crochet hooks and knitting needles. The company eventually expanded its business to the automotive industry, and diversified its manufacturing capabilities to include stamping, welding and assemblies, as well as painting and plating capabilities. Today, the company serves a variety of industries, including automotive, office furniture, appliance, lawn and garden, and housewares.

"Throughout our history, we have expanded our capabilities and diversified our customer base to take advantage of opportunities in an ever-changing marketplace," said Slagel. "We're confident this certification will open new doors for us. It's another example of how Stanco is willing to evolve to reach new customers and ensure the company's success for another hundred years."

By including women-owned businesses among their suppliers, corporations and government agencies demonstrate their commitment to diversity and the development of supplier diversity programs. Companies receiving WBENC certification have undergone an in-depth review of the business and a site inspection. The certification process is designed to confirm that the business is at least 51% owned, operated and controlled by a woman or women.

For more information about Stanco Metal Products, Inc., please visit www.stancometal.com.

About Stanco Metal Products, Inc.

Stanco Metal Products provides metal stamping (up to 1,100 tons), robotic MIG welding, resistance welding, powder coating, metal fabrication and assembly services to customers nationwide. With manufacturing facilities in Grand Haven, Michigan, Greenville, South Carolina and Santa Teresa, New Mexico, the company serves a variety of industries including automotive, office furniture, appliance, lawn and garden, and housewares.

About WBENC

Founded in 1997, WBENC is the nation's leader in women's business development and the leading third-party certifier of businesses owned and operated by women. The organization encompasses more than 13,000 certified women's business enterprises, fourteen national regional partner organizations, and over 300 corporate members. More than 1,000 corporations representing America's most prestigious brands, as well as many states, cities and other government entities accept WBENC certification. For more information, visit www.wbenc.org.

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