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**WALKER EXPANDS AVIPROTEK® T BIRD-FRIENDLY LINE
NOW ALSO AVAILABLE WITH PILKINGTON OPTIWHITE™ GLASS**

Montreal, December 6, 2018 – Walker Glass Company Ltd. (Walker) continues to expand its offering in the bird friendly glass solutions space, now offering the AviProtek® T solution on Pilkington's Optiwhite™ low-iron glass.

The AviProtek® T is an innovative first surface solution utilizing patented UV technology that is barely noticeable to the human eye, yet visible to birds. With the coating on the outside surface, AviProtek® T gives birds the greatest chance to identify the glass and avoid collision.

Walker now offers a line of AviProtek® T patterns on clear and low-iron glass that respects the industry-accepted "2x4 Rule" (etched markers 2 by 4 inches apart). These patterns have been successfully tested in field experiments conducted at Muhlenberg College under the supervision of renowned expert Dr. Daniel Klem, Professor of Biology.

"Every year across North America, there are hundreds of millions of fatal bird collisions occurring against glass facades. The good news – many municipalities and local governments across North America are now enacting legislation mandating the use of bird-friendly glass. With AviProtek® T now being offered in low-iron, Walker is providing architects the ability to specify our solutions on Pilk's Optiwhite substrate – a really nice alternative ideal for retail, condos, commercial and many other building applications" says Walker Business Development Director, Charles Alexander.

Pilkington's Manager of Business Development Dr. Neil McSparran added, "Producing our UV enhanced reflective coating on Pilkington **Optiwhite™** provides Architects and Designers with a new aesthetic option while maintaining effective bird deterrence. Pilkington **Optiwhite™** is a high quality low iron glass which offers outstanding visual clarity and high light transmittance and when combined with AviProtek® T, gives a unique solution".

To order your samples, we invite you to contact our Customer Service Department or visit our website at www.walkerglass.com

Pilkington North America is part of NSG Group, one of the world's leading manufacturers of glass and glazing for the architectural, automotive, and technical glass sectors. With around 27,000 employees, NSG Group has principal operations worldwide and sales in over 100 countries.

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Walker Glass is North America's market leader in the development and manufacture of acid etched glass substrates and premium quality mirrors. In addition to its three **AviProtek**® lines of bird-friendly gazing solutions, the company's **Walker Textures**® brand of interior and exterior glazing substrates includes the **Traction**® collection of anti-slip glass flooring surfaces, the **Nuance**® and **Transition**® families of decorative stock and custom etched patterns as well as a comprehensive line of full-surface etched finishes and opacities,. Growing and evolving since 1942, Walker Glass proudly serves US and Canadian architectural glass fabricators from coast to coast, supported by the largest inventory of etched glass, acid-etched mirror and mirror on the continent.

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