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WALKER GLASS AND PPG INDUSTRIES TEAM UP
TO LAUNCH BIRD SAFE AVIPROTEK WITH SOLARBAN® GLASS

Montreal, February 2, 2015 - Walker Glass is proud to launch **bird safe low-e coated acid-etched glass** products. This innovation marries the AviProtek pattern range from Walker Glass with the outstanding features of Solarban glass products from PPG Industries.

Bird friendly regulations continue to grow in North America with limited glazing options. **Walker Glass** and **PPG Industries** have teamed up to create a sustainable answer to the need for bird safe glass while meeting the energy efficiency requirements. Experts agree that the best way to deter birds from striking the glass is to have visual markers on the outside surface. With the Walker Textures™ AviProtek acid-etched stock or custom patterns on surface one combined with the high performance low-e coatings, Solarban® 60, Solarban® 67 or Solarban® 70xl glasses, from PPG Industries on number two, the result is a powerful solution.

“Commitment to sustainable building practices is a cornerstone of our product and business strategy at PPG. The opportunity to partner with an industry leader such as Walker Textures to provide a product that delivers on its responsibility to both energy efficiency and protecting the environment is as fulfilling for us as I hope it is for the designers that use the AviProtek line.” says Glenn Miner, Director of Marketing at PPG Industries.

“This collaboration between PPG Industries and Walker Textures is truly exciting. The need for bird friendly glazing is picking up while solar performance targets are increasingly demanding. We can now offer a powerful option to architects and building owners that need to achieve both objectives. The use of the acid-etched surface on the outside surface of an insulated unit has been proven in countless projects across North America and is also backed by our Walker Textures™ 10 year warranty against surface degradation.” says Marc Deschamps, Business Development Manager.

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Walker Glass Co. Ltd. is a dynamic market-driven enterprise with over 70 years of experience in the glass and mirror industry in North America. Innovation and creativity are at the heart of its development. In 2002, the company launched a full surface acid-etched glass and mirror product line under the **Walker Textures™** brand name. Since then, the company has added a line of custom and stock patterns, **Walker Textures™ Nuance**, a line of anti-slip acid-etched glass products, **Walker Textures™ Traction** and a line of bird friendly glass, **Walker Textures™ AviProtek**.

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