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Arcet Equipment Company To Produce Elite PurityPlus Specialty Gases

Richmond, VA – 04/28/2010 - The Independent Welding Distributors Cooperative (IWDC) is please to announce that Arcet Equipment Company of Richmond, VA has been approved to produce their PurityPlus line of specialty gases. Arcet Equipment Company joins 29 other IWDC companies who produce and distribute PurityPlus Specialty Gases throughout North America. PurityPlus Specialty Gases are only available through IWDC Member companies.

All PurityPlus-approved laboratories have passed a rigorous evaluation conducted by industry expert, Tom Badstubner of AsteRisk LLC. The Quality Assurance protocols under which these gases are produced are structured to meet the requirements of ISO 17025, the internationally recognized quality standard for testing and calibration laboratories. PurityPlus producers are the industry leader in the number of ISO 17025 accredited laboratories in the United States (currently, six), with a total of ten laboratories that are either ISO 9001 certified or ISO 17025 accredited.

"We are pleased to have been selected as a PurityPlus Specialty Gas producer, and are proud to offer the PurityPlus line to our customers throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia," notes Greg Groome, General Sales Manager and a 30-year industry veteran. "Our experienced staff can provide our customers with specialty gases produced in a state of the art laboratory, with high-precision purity and blend tolerances."

Nick Kaplan, Specialty Gas Sales Manager with over 10 years experience in high-tech specialty gases, notes that with 20 locations throughout the Commonwealth, Arcet Equipment will be able to offer prompt delivery and better availability to specialty gas customers. "This addition to our extensive gas product line enables us to meet all our customer' needs. Our specialty gases are consistent, quality products that meet the high standards set by the PurityPlus Quality Assurance protocols."

The IWDC is a cooperative owned by Arcet Equipment Company and 146 other locally owned independent distributors who supply high quality specialty, medical and industrial gases as well as welding supplies to a number of key industries throughout North America.

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