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**Trex Sponsors “BagSmart™” Plastic Bag Reduction and Recycling
Initiative in Pennsylvania and New Jersey**

Program Transforms Used Plastic Bags into Beautiful Outdoor Living Spaces

(WINCHESTER, Va.) – Jan. 24, 2008 – The pressure is on to “sack” the growing concern over the surplus of used plastic bags – a commodity that’s handed out nearly 100 billion times annually in grocery stores nationwide. Trex, the category inventor and leading manufacturer of composite decking materials, has joined with Penn Jersey Paper and Goodwill Industries to launch the BagSmart™ program, a comprehensive initiative to help consumers in Pennsylvania and New Jersey recycle and reuse plastic bags, reducing their impact on the local environment.

Through the BagSmart program, consumers are encouraged to recycle used grocery bags, dry cleaning bags and even newspaper bags at their local grocery stores or Goodwill centers. The bags are collected regularly and taken to Goodwill facilities, where they are sorted, baled and shipped to Trex to be repurposed into beautiful, low-maintenance composite decking material.

“As a growing company, Trex is in constant need of additional sources of raw materials like plastic,” said Ray Hampton, Sourcing Manager for Trex. “The BagSmart program allows Trex to make beautiful, high-quality decking from materials that would otherwise become waste.”

While recycling is a major component of the BagSmart program, it is not the only aspect. After researching similar initiatives around the country, the program founders decided to emphasize bag reduction and education as well, from training grocery store employees to maximize each bag filled to producing signage and educational materials that teach consumers the why, how and where of using less and reusing and recycling more of their plastic bags.

“Bag Smart is a comprehensive initiative to reduce the number of plastic bags that are wasted,” said Rocco D’Antonio, business development manager at Penn Jersey Paper. “The program also impacts the community on a broader level by decreasing the environmental impact of plastic bags, creating jobs at local Goodwill centers and ultimately producing a quality consumer product.”

Approximately 140,000 grocery bags are used to create an average 500-square-foot Trex deck. All grocery bags and stretch film/pallet wrap collected through BagSmart will be repurposed into Trex’s decking, railing or fencing products.

“This is an all-encompassing program that addresses the issue of used grocery bags at many levels and provides real recycling solutions,” said Hampton. “It’s a great way to show residents of Pennsylvania and New Jersey that high-quality, beautiful products can be created through recycling efforts and we’re proud to be a part of this groundbreaking initiative.”

Additional BagSmart partners include the New Jersey Food Council, the Pennsylvania Food Merchants Association, Keep Philadelphia Beautiful (KPB), the New York Food Industry Alliance and the Delaware Food Council.

To learn more about the BagSmart program, please visit the www.bebagsmart.com. For more information about Trex, visit www.trex.com.

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