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**UL ENVIRONMENT RELEASES MANUFACTURER GUIDANCE
ON USE OF PRE-CONSUMER RECYCLED CONTENT**

Provides market clarity and helps minimize waste in manufacturing processes

NORTHBROOK, Ill., July 12, 2010 – Today, UL Environment, a global leader in environmental validation and standards development, published a position paper called *Interpreting Pre-Consumer Recycled Content Claims* that outlines multi-industry guidelines regarding the use of pre-consumer recycled content. The paper provides clearer definitions and guiding principles expressing what constitutes as pre-consumer recycled content and leads the global marketplace towards best practices for its incorporation into product manufacturing.

“Manufacturers have historically struggled to understand pre-consumer recycled content,” said Steve Wenc, President, UL Environment. “Our guidelines are intended to make it easier for manufacturers to identify and incorporate pre-consumer recycled content, helping to make recycled content more prevalent in many products and industries.”

The new UL Environment position paper represents a shift in the common understanding of this type of recycled content and has process implications across a wide range of industries including chemicals, metals, minerals and plastics. The paper is based on the concept of industrial ecology, which takes a holistic approach to examining sustainability in industrial systems and leads to a well-defined goal of zero-waste manufacturing.

“UL strongly believes that the foundation of environmental responsibility starts by creating a common vocabulary,” said Wenc. “We are helping support a more sustainable economy by

providing manufacturers with direction to achieve greater material reuse and encouraging recycling and reuse of all waste materials.”

To download a copy of the UL Environment Pre-Consumer Recycled Content white paper or learn more about related testing and certification services, visit <http://www.ulenvironment.com/ulenvironment/eng/pages/env/newsroom/>.

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