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## **RANKIN INDUSTRIES EARNS ISO QUALITY CERTIFICATION**

**SAN DIEGO, CA (May 1, 2008)** Rankin Industries announced that it has been registered by Intertek Testing Services as conforming to the requirements of ISO 9001:2000. The quality management certification is applicable to Rankin™ Industries management systems for the design and manufacture of build-up and hardfacing welding products.

“Earning ISO certification is an important confirmation of our long-standing commitment to quality. As we continue to grow we will continuously monitor our quality to bring our customers the strongest performing products and highest level of service,” said Bill Shum vice-president and general manager of Rankin™ Industries.

To earn the ISO 9001:2000 registration companies must be certified to the standard by demonstrating proven quality principles and process management. Adherence to these principles and processes must cover business activities from staff training, to vendor and supplier relationships, to the design, development and delivery of products, meeting customer requirements, and more.

As part of the certification process Intertek Testing Services, NA, Inc. performed an onsite assessment, reviewed documented procedures and audited overall business operations. Intertek is the world’s largest independent testing, inspection, and certification partner with more than 70 offices on six continents.

ISO (International Standards Organization) is the world’s largest developer and publisher of International Standards. It is a network of the national standards institutes of 157 countries with one member per country and a Central Secretariat in Geneva, Switzerland responsible for coordinating the system. As a non-governmental organization it forms a bridge between the public and private sectors.

Rankin™ Industries is a designer and manufacturer of build-up and hardfacing products and offers a range of specialty alloys including dental brazing, hard surfacing and specialty brazing preforms. Its sister companies include Broco®, Inc., the world leader in exothermic cutting and underwater welding systems; and Strong Welding Products™, Inc. which offers a selection of cost-effective welding and industrial products. The companies serve industrial maintenance and repair, and welding and cutting professionals. Corporate headquarters is located in Ranch Cucamonga, California and

products are available through a global distributor network. Visit [www.RANKIN.com](http://www.RANKIN.com) for more information.

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