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## TATE<sup>®</sup> PARTNERS WITH INTERFACE, INC. TO BRING NEW OPTIONS TO POSITILE<sup>®</sup> CARPET TILE SOLUTION FOR ACCESS FLOORS

Collaboration to yield a no-glue solution that enhances flexibility and eliminates waste

(JESSUP, MD – Aug. 27, 2013) – <u>Tate<sup>®</sup></u>, a market leader in the manufacture of raised floors and airflow management solutions, has partnered with Interface, Inc., the world's largest designer and maker of carpet tile, to incorporate Interface<sup>®</sup> products into PosiTile<sup>®</sup>, Tate's carpet tile solution for access floors.

Each PosiTile carpet tile is sized to match one-to-one with a Tate ConCore<sup>®</sup> access floor panel to facilitate a guick and easy move of utility services to another location, as well as the reuse of carpet tiles during layout changes. Four ultrasonically welded buttons on the underside of each tile provide precise alignment with four matching holes in the ConCore panel, eliminating the use of glue and giving anyone the ability to rearrange their work area.

"As a result of this relationship, we are able to offer the first PosiTile product that does not require an adhesive," said Scott Alwine, LEED AP, marketing manager at Tate. "Additionally, because the panel and the Interface PosiTile can simply be swapped with another floor panel without having to remove adjacent carpet tiles, time is saved, waste is eliminated, and the amount of attic stock is reduced."

The collaboration with Interface also gives Tate access to a much broader array of carpet styles and options, all designed, produced and distributed with a commitment to sustainability and social responsibility. Among the newest and most noteworthy is Net Effect<sup>™</sup>. It's a collection born of a global initiative called Net-Works<sup>™</sup>, discarded fishing nets are gathered and sold to one of Interface's primary yarn suppliers, Aguafil, to be repurposed into new fiber that is making its way into the Net Effect tiles.



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# Interface Tate

"For Interface, sustainability is engrained in our corporate culture, our products and practices," said Mike Schwartz, Vice President, Sales Distribution Strategy, Interface. "And, as a leader, we're eager to work with other companies such as Tate to achieve a higher standard for their businesses. So, Interface is pleased to bring a new level of sustainability and flexibility to the PosiTile product with this association."

For more information about Tate's carpet tile solution for access floors, please visit <u>http://www.tateinc.com/products/positile.aspx</u>. For information about other Tate products and services, please visit <u>http://www.tateinc.com</u> or call (410) 799-4200.

#### ABOUT TATE®

Tate is headquartered south of Baltimore, in Jessup, Md., and is a member of the Kingspan Group of companies. Tate is a leading manufacturer of raised access floors and in-floor cooling systems, with over 600 million square feet of underfloor service distribution systems installed. Tate products provide high performance and sustainable service distribution solutions in libraries, laboratories, casinos and in office, education, data center and clean room facilities.

#### About Interface

Interface, Inc. is the world's largest manufacturer of commercial carpet tile. For 40 years, the company has consistently led the industry through innovation, and now leads the industry in environmental sustainability. Interface is setting the pace for development of modular carpet using materials and processes that take less from the environment, and is well along the path to "Mission Zero<sup>®</sup>," the company's promise to eliminate any negative impact it has on the environment by the year 2020. Interface's worldwide carpet manufacturing facilities maintain third party registration to the ISO 14001 Environmental Management System standard, and the company obtained the first-ever Environmental Product Declaration (EPD) for the commercial floor covering industry in North America. The company is recognized globally for its commitment to build environmental considerations into its business decisions. For additional information: www.interface.com, www.interfaceflorblog.com

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