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FLEETWOOD GROUP IS A FINALIST FOR A NATIONAL AWARD

Holland, MI: Fleetwood Group, Inc. has received notification of its selection as one of the finalists for **THE WALL STREET JOURNAL** and **Winning Workplaces 2009 Top Small Workplaces Award**.

Fleetwood Group was selected from over 325 nominated organizations across the United States. According to the notification letter, this award identifies the company as “a leader in understanding and employing innovative workplace practices as a driver of your business success.” The final winners will be announced and featured in the September 28 edition of **THE WALL STREET JOURNAL’s Report on Small Business**.



FINALIST

*As named by
The Wall Street Journal
and
Winning Workplaces*

“Being identified as a finalist is in itself a great honor for the Fleetwood Group.” Said Doug Ruch, its President & CEO. “It is a significant recognition of the efforts by our 165

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employee-owners.” Ruch is also pleased that this announcement provides some much-needed positive news for the West Michigan area.

Fleetwood Group is undergoing a detailed assessment by the Winning Workplaces team to evaluate the company from the inside and outside. Winning Workplaces is conducting confidential interviews with Fleetwood Group employees, its outside accounting firm, its outside legal firm, and selected Customers. The results of this detailed assessment will be used to determine whether the Fleetwood Group will receive the award in September.

About Fleetwood Group, Inc.

Founded in 1955, Fleetwood Group, Inc. has a long, stable history of quality products and customer satisfaction. Fleetwood Group is a Christ-centered, 100% Employee-Owned company with a rich heritage and records of business achievement. The company has logged 70% growth over the past 5 years. In May 2006, Fleetwood was named by The ESOP Foundation as the #1 employee stock owned company among the approximately 2,000 wholly-owned and 11,000 partially-owned organizations in the USA (reference: ESOP Association, www.esopassociation.org). In April 2009, Fleetwood Group was named a finalist for *The Wall Street Journal* **Top Small Workplaces 2009** award.

The company is structured in two distinct units: A Furniture Division, specializing in providing mobile and modular furniture solutions that create flexible learning spaces, allowing education to be delivered in the most effective manner. And an Electronics

Division, which specializes in the development and manufacturing of RF wireless electronics for command& control, remote monitoring, active RFID and communications.

For more information about Fleetwood Group and its Product Divisions, please visit:

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