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APN Starfirst LP receives Excellent Supplier Award from PPG

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 3, 2008 -- APN Starfirst LP recently received an Excellent Supplier Award from PPG Industries for superior accomplishments in 2007.

APN Starfirst LP, which is owned by the management of American PowerNet and based in Wyomissing, Pa., provides consulting, technical and administrative services relating to wholesale and retail electricity sourcing to PPG's chlor-alkali and derivatives, architectural finishes and performance glazings businesses in the United States. It is one of eight suppliers being honored by the global manufacturer of paints, coatings, chemicals, optical products, specialty materials, glass and fiber glass, which purchases almost \$7 billion in materials and services from thousands of suppliers each year.

Kathleen McGuire, PPG vice president, corporate purchasing and distribution, today presented APN Starfirst LP with the Excellent Supplier Award trophy, made of PPG glass, at a ceremony here.

"As a key supplier of energy consulting services, the performance of APN Starfirst LP in 2007 was outstanding," McGuire said. *"Their quality, service, delivery, documentation and innovation have been exceptional, and they truly understand PPG's needs as a customer."*

McGuire said APN Starfirst provided outstanding consulting and supplier services and support to help PPG develop a wholesale electricity sourcing approach, versus using standard retail supply methods, that enables the company to drive cost savings while implementing risk-management strategies in a volatile energy marketplace.

"We consider APN Starfirst LP a very reliable and important business partner, and we view our relationship with them as a significant competitive advantage to PPG," she said.

Recipients of PPG's supplier awards are chosen by ratings and evaluations measuring quality, delivery, documentation, innovation, responsiveness and commercial value. Participation in the \$AVE program, as well as other continuous improvements, play an increasingly important role in earning the award.

About PPG

Pittsburgh-based PPG is a global supplier of paints, coatings, chemicals, optical products, specialty materials, glass and fiber glass. The company has more than 150 manufacturing facilities and equity affiliates and operates in more than 60 countries. PPG's sales in 2007 were \$11.2 billion. SigmaKalon, a worldwide coatings producer based in Uithoorn, Netherlands, that PPG acquired Jan. 2, 2008, had 2007 sales of \$2.9 billion. PPG shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange (symbol: PPG). For more information, visit www.ppg.com.