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**TORNADO PRODUCTS TESTED
AND “TANDUS APPROVED”**

Tests Some of the Most Stringent in the Industry

CHICAGO, IL—January 25, 2006—Four products manufactured by Tornado Industries have received the *Approved Equipment* designation from Tandus, a leading manufacturer of commercial floor coverings based in Dalton, GA.

The four Tornado products honored are: The CV 30 and CV 38 vacuum cleaners and Marathon 800 and 1200 carpet extractors.

According to John Garger, Product Care Manager for Tandus, all the products were put through a variety of tests—some of the most stringent in the industry.

He adds that all the products performed very well—in fact, they have achieved the organizations highest ratings in their respective classifications.

Testing Procedure

The vacuum cleaners were tested by applying a pre-measured amount of very fine soil over a square yard of carpet tile, which was impacted into the face fiber. The vacuum cleaner's bags were weighted before the test and again after vacuuming the tile four times.

“Based on the bag's weight we can determine the percentage of soil removal,” he says. “Out of 79.6 grams of soil as introduced, the CV 30 extracted 65 grams, which is a very high 82 percent.”

The extractors were tested to determine how much water they extract when cleaning carpets. Exactly 1,330 milliliters of water were put into the extractor's solution tanks.

After three wet passes and six dry passes (where no water is injected into the carpet), the Marathon 800 recovered 90 percent of the water.

“This is a ‘First in Class’ for a walk-behind extractor,” says Garger, “no other walk behind extractor has ever performed this well.”

Who Benefits

“As proud as we are about the test results and designation, the real winner here is the consumer,” says Jim Hlavin, head of Tornado’s Business Development department. “By building more efficient vacuum cleaners, more soil is removed, which helps protect the health of building occupants and extends the life of carpets.”

He believes the same is true about the extractors. “The more moisture removed from carpets, the quicker the carpets dry, preventing the growth of mold and mildew,” Hlavin says. “This also protects the indoor environment and the health of its users.”

For more information, visit Tandus at <http://www.tandus.com/index.html>, Tornado at www.tornadovac.com, or call James Hlavin at 708-867-5100.

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About Tornado

Tornado Industries has been designing and engineering quality cleaning equipment for more than 75 years. The company has a long history of developing innovative products and applying the latest technology to increase productivity, reduce costs, and improve safety. Tornado prides itself on always being on the cutting edge of floor care cleaning solutions.

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