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**Tremco Incorporated, Minority Business Development Agency sign agreement
to help develop construction businesses**

BEACHWOOD, OH (October 18, 2011) – Its commitment to helping minority-owned businesses in the construction field already well established, Tremco Incorporated recently enhanced this support by signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA), a bureau of the U. S. Department of Commerce.

The MOU establishes a partnership that will provide qualified minority-owned construction businesses with direct access to corporate training and mentoring through the Small Business Strategic Alliance Program within the Roofing and Maintenance Division of Tremco Incorporated. Training in such areas as products, installation procedures, construction trends, best practices, business operations and more takes place both in the classroom and on the job; upon successfully completing the program, minority-owned businesses become certified Tremco Roofing and Building Maintenance contractors. The Small Business Strategic Alliance Program also enables businesses able to pursue opportunities either as a prime contractor or subcontractor within such markets as federal, state, local, tribal, education, healthcare and commercial.

“We are delighted to collaborate with the MBDA on this important initiative to increase business opportunities for minority-owned construction companies,” said Cynthia K. Martin, Director of Small Business Programs for Tremco Roofing and Building Maintenance. “Starting with the assignment of a Small Business Program Manager to support each program candidate, through the rigorous training and onto the project sites, we are committed to helping those within our program grow their businesses.”

“Fostering the growth and global competitiveness of U.S. minority-owned firms is a top priority for MBDA. We are proud to partner with Tremco and applaud their commitment to create more opportunities for minority-owned businesses to penetrate the construction supply chain, become prime contractors, and employ Americans,” said MBDA National Director David Hinson.

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About Tremco Incorporated

Headquartered in Beachwood, Ohio, Tremco Incorporated is dedicated to the development of high performance buildings characterized by energy efficiency, limited environmental impact and low operating costs. Tremco Incorporated is part of the RPM Building Solutions Group, an international leader in the construction, maintenance and repair markets that includes the Euclid Chemical Company, Republic Powdered Metals, Tremco Barrier Solutions, Tremco Commercial Sealants & Waterproofing, Tremco illbruck, Tremco Roofing and Building Maintenance and WTI. RPM Building Solutions Group companies are ISO 9001:2000 certified, and WTI is the first facility services group to attain this certification. To learn more about us, visit <http://www.rpmhpbs.com> or call toll-free at 800-562-2728.

About Tremco Roofing and Building Maintenance

Headquartered in Beachwood, Ohio, Tremco Roofing and Building Maintenance helps manage building life cycles for customers in education, healthcare, government, manufacturing and many other industries. In business since 1928, Tremco Roofing and Building Maintenance is a division of [Tremco Incorporated](#), which is itself part of the RPM Building Solutions Group. Tremco Roofing works closely with Tremco Incorporated subsidiary WTI, which provides general contracting and roofing services. Visit <http://www.tremcoroofing.com> or call us toll-free at 800-562-2728 for more information.

About the Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA)

MBDA, www.mbda.gov, an agency within the U.S. Department of Commerce, promotes the growth and global competitiveness of the minority business community, making them better equipped to create jobs, impact local economies and compete successfully in domestic and global marketplaces. With a nationwide network of more than 45 business centers and strategic partners, MBDA assists minority entrepreneurs and business owners with consulting services, contract and financing opportunities, bonding and certification services, building business-to-business alliances and executive training.

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