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### **AMERICAN BOATBUILDERS ASSOCIATION SIGNS “SUPPLIER OF CHOICE” AGREEMENT WITH TAYLOR MADE SYSTEMS AND AMERITEX FABRIC SYSTEMS**

GLOVERSVILLE, N.Y. – Jan. 6, 2014 – Taylor Made Systems announced that it has been designated as the ABA Preferred Supplier of Choice for Glazing and Canvas Systems. The Taylor Made brand will supply items such as windshields, doors, roof systems and hull windows, while their fabric engineering and manufacturing arm, Ameritex Fabric Systems, will supply items such as bimini tops, t-tops, mooring covers and curtains.

“ABA is pleased to reach an agreement with Taylor Made Systems as the preferred supplier of choice for this wide range of products that are integral to the overall look and functionality of the vessels built by our prestigious group of independent boat manufacturers,” said Jay Patton, president of the ABA. “They have a real desire to lead innovation in their fields of expertise, which is of the utmost importance to our members.”

“We’re proud to be associated with the ABA,” said Allan Petit, president of Taylor Made Systems. “Our agreement demonstrates how the ABA believes in Taylor Made’s quality products, state-of-the-art design, engineering services, and excellent customer support. We look forward to continuing our long and positive relationship with all the members of the ABA.”

#### **About Taylor Made Systems**

A member of Taylor Made Group, LLC, Taylor Made Systems ([www.taylormadesystems.com](http://www.taylormadesystems.com)) is based in Gloversville, N.Y. Together with its partner, Trend Marine Products Limited, Taylor Made Systems is the world’s largest manufacturer of marine

glazing systems and the acknowledged leader in framed-glass windshield technology for powerboats. Other marine product lines include manual and power-actuated doors, roofs, window systems, skylights and hatches. The company also supplies glass products for a variety of agricultural, construction, mass transit and emergency vehicle applications.

#### **About Ameritex Fabric Systems**

A member of Taylor Made Group, LLC, Ameritex Fabric Systems ([www.ameritexfabrics.com](http://www.ameritexfabrics.com)) is based in Bradenton, Fla. and is the fabric engineering and manufacturing arm for Taylor Made Systems. Ameritex is a leading supplier of highly engineered fabric solutions for OEM boat manufacturers and the automotive industry.

#### **About Taylor Made Group**

Headquartered in Gloversville, N.Y., Taylor Made Group, LLC ([www.taylormadegroup.com](http://www.taylormadegroup.com)) has more than 100 years of experience as one of the recreational marine industry's largest, most diversified suppliers to boatbuilders and the aftermarket. The Taylor Made Group includes Taylor Made Products, Taylor Made Systems, Taylor Made Glass Systems, Ameritex Fabric Systems, Trend Marine Products Limited, Taylor Made Glass & Systems Limited and Taylorbrite. The Group operates seven facilities in the United States, the Republic of Ireland and the United Kingdom. Employing around 1,000 associates, its products are distributed through a worldwide distribution network.

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