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StalkMarket Eco Friendly Tableware and Food Packaging Receives Biodegradable Products Institute Certification

NEW YORK, NY and PORTLAND, Ore. – November 11, 2008 – StalkMarket, one of the leading producers of Earth-friendly disposable tableware and food packaging in the United States, today announced that its lines of polylactic acid- and sugarcane-based products have been certified as compostable in professionally managed facilities by the Biodegradable Products Institute. The certification covers the vast majority of StalkMarket’s offerings and includes plates, bowls, food packaging, to-go containers, clear cups, drinking straws, lids, soup containers, cold cups and hot cups.

The Biodegradable Products Institute (BPI) is an organization made up of representatives from government, industry and academia to promote the use of compostable plastic and paper products. BPI certification is awarded to products that are proven to be safely and completely compostable according to ASTM International standards and verified through independent laboratory testing.

“We are one hundred percent focused on providing solutions that help people reduce their impact on the environment,” said Buzz Chandler, president and founder of StalkMarket. “Our goal is to make sure every product we make is certified as compostable and we are already well on our way.”

“Living a genuinely green lifestyle requires a certain level of effort and self-sacrifice,” said Steven Mojo, executive director of the Biodegradable Products Institute. “By submitting products for BPI certification, StalkMarket makes it easier for those who have made a commitment to this lifestyle to make informed decisions about the company’s products.”

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StalkMarket proudly uses Ingeo™ brand polylactic acid (PLA) polymers from Natureworks LLC. Ingeo is the world's first and only performance plastic made from 100% annually renewable resources.

About StalkMarket

Headquartered in Portland, Oregon, StalkMarket® is a leading provider of eco-friendly disposable tableware, flatware and food packaging in the United States. The company's flagship product line includes a wide array of plates, bowls, serving trays, to-go containers and other items made from a sugar cane fiber-based paper board called bagasse. The material is made from sugar cane waste recovered from sugar refineries which is upcycled into paper board in much the same way as wood pulp is used for cardboard.

StalkMarket recently introduced its Jaya® and Planet Plus™ line of clear cups, cutlery and hot cups made out of biopolymers that are similar to hydrocarbon-based thermoplastics with one very important difference – they are made from plants instead of oil. While they may look and feel a lot like plastic they are really made completely of renewable materials and, like all StalkMarket products, they are 100% compostable.

StalkMarket products are available to restaurants or institutional food service providers through its network of distributors. They are available to consumers nationwide through a variety of grocery stores and retail outlets. They can also be found online at www.amazon.com.

For more information go to www.stalkmarketproducts.com.

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