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BENJAMIN CASE ANNOUNCES EXPANSION IN DUFFIELD

DUFFIELD, Va.—(June 17, 2008)—Benjamin Case today announced that it will expand its manufacturing facility to the Duffield Regional Industrial Park.

The \$1.65 million project will create 27 new jobs in addition to the current 23 employees in the former Keith Building in Duffield.

Headquartered in Kailua, Hawaii, the company's manufacturing, including the research and development operations, will be in Duffield. Benjamin Case's initial product is a structural steel wall panel system that allows for rapid framing of a building structure. This system has been used to build trailers, telecommunication shelters, portable storage containers, interior offices, modular classrooms, and single-family homes.

"This area has been growing rapidly, and so is our company," said Eugene Enevoldson, Vice President of Production for Benjamin Case. "We moved to this region to provide better service to our customers, and are looking forward to providing quality jobs to the area."

"We appreciate Benjamin Case's decision to locate in Scott County initially, and the Virginia Tobacco Commission is honored to invest in the company's future growth," stated Delegate Terry Kilgore, Chairman, Virginia Tobacco Commission. "The Commonwealth continues to realize that most of our new investments and new jobs will come from existing businesses, and we are honored to financially support this industry."

"This announcement today exemplifies the entrepreneurial spirit that is alive and well in the region as emerging businesses like Benjamin Case decide to expand their operation," said Senator William C. Wampler, Jr.

The Scott County Economic Development Authority worked with the Virginia Tobacco Indemnification and Community Revitalization Commission to secure the expansion project. The Virginia Tobacco Commission approved \$75,000 in Tobacco Region Opportunity Funds. The LENOWISCO Planning District Commission, the Duffield Development Authority, and the Virginia Coalfield Economic Development Authority also assisted with the project.

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