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## **NCI BUILDING SYSTEMS AMENDS SENIOR CREDIT FACILITY**

### **STRENGTHENS ABILITY TO IMPLEMENT ACQUISITION STRATEGY**

**HOUSTON (October 19, 2005)** – NCI Building Systems, Inc. (NYSE: NCS) today announced that it has amended its \$325 million senior credit facility (the “Facility”), which matures in June 2010. Among other things, the amendments eliminated the requirement that the Company apply the proceeds from its \$180 million 2.125% Senior Subordinated Convertible Notes due 2024 to the prepayment of indebtedness under the Facility if such proceeds were not used within specified periods to fund acquisitions. In addition, the amended Facility increased by \$10 million the amount that can be applied to the repurchase of the Company’s stock and/or to pay cash dividends to \$35 million, plus 25% of consolidated net income.

A.R. Ginn, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of NCI, commented, “We are continuing to evaluate acquisition opportunities in the metal building components and engineered steel building businesses, which are experiencing rising consolidation pressures. The amendments to our senior credit facility that enable us to keep the remaining net proceeds from our note offering on our balance sheet substantially strengthen our ability to act on these opportunities.”

This release contains forward-looking statements concerning NCI’s business and operations and industry conditions, including among others industry trends, steel pricing, growth expectations and margin expansion. Forward-looking statements involve a number of risks and uncertainties, and NCI’s actual performance may differ materially from that projected in such statements. Among the factors that could cause actual results to differ materially are industry cyclicality and seasonality, fluctuations in demand and prices for steel, the financial condition of NCI’s raw material suppliers, competitive activity and pricing pressure, ability to execute NCI’s acquisition strategy and general economic conditions affecting the construction industry. These and other factors that could affect NCI’s financial position and results of operations are described in further detail in NCI’s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. NCI expressly disclaims any obligation to release publicly any updates or revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect any changes in its expectations.

NCI Building Systems, Inc. is one of North America’s largest integrated manufacturers of metal products for the nonresidential building industry. The Company operates manufacturing and distribution facilities located in 16 states and Mexico.

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