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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY COMPETITION NAMES AZARA LUMINAIRE “BEST IN CLASS”

Westlake Village, California (March 5th, 2009) -- Journée Lighting, Inc. announces that its *Azara* LED lighting fixture was awarded “Best in Class” in the first annual Next Generation Luminaires competition.

Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy (**D.O.E.**), the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America (**IESNA**), and the International Association of Lighting Designers (**IALD**), the Next Generation Luminaires competition was launched at LightFair in May of 2008 as a platform in which **to recognize and promote excellence in the design of energy-efficient LED lighting fixtures.**

The Next Generation Luminaires competition attracted 68 entries from 29 lighting companies. Of the 68 entries submitted, 22 were given special recognition in the “Market Ready” category. Of the 22 winning lighting fixtures, the judges were asked (at their discretion) to identify any fixtures that they considered “Best in Class”. **To attain this prestigious status, a product had to not only stand out from all of the others, but it also had to be evaluated at the top of its specific product category.**

The panel of judges for Next Generation Luminaires consists of industry specialists from across the country, creating a diverse panel of experts who design, specify, evaluate, research, and write about commercial SSL luminaires. **The judging panel tested and evaluated the luminaire entries based on color rendering, color appearance, appropriate illuminance, application efficiency, aesthetic appearance, and serviceability and replacement.**

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“We are deeply honored to be recognized by a competition of this scale,” says founder and CEO of Journée Lighting, Clayton Alexander. **“At Journée Lighting we are committed to developing aesthetically attractive lighting fixtures coupled with the latest in energy-efficient LED technology.** Besides being a great honor to be officially recognized by the DOE, IESNA and IALD, this award is an undeniable confirmation that our development efforts have paid off.”

The *Azara* LED luminaire features a bold aesthetic design and innovative features, providing an attractive and energy-efficient alternative to traditional track light fixtures. The *Azara's* brushed aluminum housing is sculpted to not only appeal to the eye aesthetically, but also to perform as an active heat sink. **The *Azara* Luminaire features Journée's field-replaceable Sprocket™ LED Light Engine,** which is available in a wide range of Energy Star® recognized color temperatures, various beam angles and includes an onboard 3-position WattageAdjust® switch that provides a choice of three brightness settings. The *Azara* luminaire is designed to be used in conjunction with Journée's specification-grade Monorail Track and/or Monopoint system.

About Journée Lighting, Inc.

Headquartered in Westlake Village, California, Journée Lighting, Inc. designs and manufactures state-of-the-art LED lighting fixtures, including the award winning *Lotus* and *Azara* luminaires. Journée also designs and manufactures specification-grade Monorail and Monopoint systems for use with its LED Luminaires. For more information, pricing and availability, please visit www.journeelighting.com or call 1.800.866.1880.

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