FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Media Contact:
Steve Duren
Senior Director of Membership
(301) 986-9700 ext. 105
steve.duren@ascouncil.org

ADHESIVE AND SEALANT COUNCIL TO DEVELOP A GUIDE FOR AEROSOL FOAM SEALANTS

Council to Partner with ASTM C24.61 Subcommittee and Industry on “Standard Guide for Product Selection and Delivery Systems for Aerosol Foam Sealants”

Bethesda, MD – May 8, 2012 – The Adhesive and Sealant Council (ASC) is leading efforts along with manufacturing members of aerosol foam sealants and supply chain partners by scoping a new ASTM guide document described as a “Standard Guide for Product Selection and Delivery Systems for Aerosol Foam Sealants.” The Guide will be developed with the ASTM C24 Seals and Sealants Committee and C24.61 Aerosol Foam Sealants Subcommittee.

The guide will be directed at educating designers, specification writers, purchasing agents and end users on product positioning and the delivery formats in which these products are supplied to industry. Companies such as Fomo Products, DAP, Dow Chemical, Clayton Corporation and Tremco have volunteered to participate actively in the process.

“The purpose of the new guide document will be a companion document of the ASTM C-1620 specification to provide further refinement focused on the “how to” and “where to use” rather than solely on performance driven attributes, indicates Steve Duren, Senior Director of Membership at ASC and ASTM C24.61 Subcommittee Member.” These products provide a robust dependable solution but most importantly they contribute to energy savings that can now be quantified using test methods and tools like “the Specification for Aerosol Foam Sealants” ASTM C-1620-05 which provides the user a snapshot of 12 product attributes and reports values by aerosol foam sealant
manufacturers,” indicates Steve Duren, Senior Director of Membership at ASC and member of ASTM C24.61 subcommittee.

The proposed guide will be intended to aid downstream users to better understand the value proposition of aerosol foam sealants and focus on the most common end use applications. The guide document will be written with the intent to provide an easy to understand consensus driven document that will provide an overview that is user friendly.

The Guide will link material attributes to the most common and emerging applications within building and construction. It is also intended to identify the delivery formats in which aerosol foam sealants are supplied to the market and the value that these products play in helping mitigate water intrusion, bonding of materials and most importantly maintaining the integrity of air barrier properties at critical interfaces within the building envelope.

Duren anticipates active industry engagement on the first draft of this guide document where much of the vision and details will be fine tuned, changed and then re-edited.

“This is a industry consensus driven effort and we our challenging the C24.61 subcommittee to review and move forward the process in a swift 15 months,” adds Duren. “We'll begin the process when ASTM C24 meets in San Diego June 24-26 and look forward to collaborating with industry as we publish a great resource for manufactures to better educate the industry on safe, robust products that help grow the adhesive and sealant industry by explaining the value proposition of the fine work that formulators have created within the manufacturing base for Latex and Polyurethane Aerosol Foam Sealants.”

###

The Adhesive and Sealant Council (ASC) is a North American trade association dedicated to representing the adhesive and sealant industry. The Council is comprised of 120 adhesive and sealant manufacturers, raw material and equipment suppliers, distributors and industry consultants, representing more than 75% of the U.S. industry with operations around the world. Offering education, legislative advocacy, professional networking and business growth solutions for its members, the ASC is the center of knowledge and catalyst for industry growth on a global basis for manufacturers, suppliers and end users.

For more information about ASC, visit www.ascouncil.org.

###