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NETSCO To Sponsor SNAME Student Design Competition

(CLEVELAND, Ohio) – NETSCO has announced that the Cleveland-based naval architecture and marine engineering firm will sponsor the first, second and third place prizes in the 2009 SNAME (Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers) Student Design Competition. The competition will be held during the 2009 SNAME Annual Meeting and Expo, October 21-23, 2009 in Providence, Rhode Island.

“We are very excited to be a part of this effort,” said Richard Mueller, NETSCO president. “We have been involved with SNAME for 25 years and have always felt that it was extremely important to encourage the next generation of the marine industry. Supporting this competition is one way for NETSCO to demonstrate that support.”

At the SNAME competition, approximately 200 naval architecture and marine engineering students from around the country will be assigned to teams and be given a design challenge. Within an allotted time, the teams must design and construct models to meet established requirements. The models will then be tested in a pool on the Expo floor. Industry judges will determine the winners.

Formed in 1984, Netsco is a marine engineering, naval architecture and design firm with offices in Cleveland, Ohio and Tampa, Florida. NETSCO furnishes engineering, design, consulting services and specialty products to the maritime industry. Netsco can design vessels of all types including large and small ships, tugs and barges. As part of its services, Netsco provides complete packages of contract plans and specifications. The firm specializes in bulk material self-unloading vessels, including vessels that handle cement, taconite, limestone, coal, salt, phosphate and many other bulk commodities.