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# Walter Surface Technologies significantly upgrades its QUICK-STEP Line of Surface Finishing and Polishing Products for 2014 Updated QUICK-STEP system to result in uniform finishes with every usage

Montreal QC / Windsor CT – March 24th, 2014 - Walter Surface Technologies, a global industry leader in surface treatment technologies, announces three new solutions to its QUICK-STEP line of surface finishing and polishing products. The QUICK-STEP FINISHER, QUICK-STEP BLENDEX, and QUICK-STEP FLEX products are the latest additions to the Walter QUICK-STEP family. Featuring patented Velcro support – with a central pin to ensure proper placement and safety – the new time-saving products are designed as the industry standard for finishing ultra-clean stainless steel surfaces in industries such as food prep, nuclear, pharmaceutical, construction and others.

#### QUICK-STEP FINISHER: the best compact finishing tool on the market today

Designed for surface finishing, the new variable-speed QUICK-STEP FINISHER tool is compact, lightweight and ideal for sanding, finishing and polishing tasks. Featuring an extra-large gear and easily adjustable DYNAMAX electronic speed control, QUICK-STEP FINISHER has an up-to-date motor design with plenty of torque even at lower speeds. Created with the same high quality as the QUICK-STEP Big-Buff, the QUICK-STEP FINISHER features a smaller frame and ergonomically crafted design suitable for work in small, confined spaces — allowing users to quickly complete even the toughest finishing jobs with ease.

### QUICK-STEP BLENDEX: powerful surface conditioning discs with enhanced removal rates and longer life

The newly updated QUICK-STEP BLENDEX surface conditioning discs feature more consistent performance and double the disc life. The result of more than two years of Walter research and development, the new QUICK-STEP BLENDEX is designed to be the best conditioning discs on the market today. For use with Walter QUICK-STEP backing pads, QUICK-STEP BLENDEX features non-woven construction and is specifically designed to prepare surfaces for the final finishing treatment such as painting on steel, aluminum and stainless steel materials – leaving a uniform finish every time.

#### QUICK-STEP FLEX: enhanced high flexibility for hard-to-reach surfaces

The flexible new QUICK-STEP FLEX finishing disc is designed to fit all sanding applications with the advantages of a flap disc. The long-lasting disc – the result of more than two years of R&D (like its BLENDEX cousin) – offers surface finishing and a high removal rate of grinding and finishing welds. Designed as the first stage in a multi-step finishing process, the new QUICK-

STEP FLEX delivers all the weld breaking power of Enduro-Flex -- with an added refined touch to ensure a brilliant surface finish.

"The Walter family of QUICK-STEP finishing products is in growing demand by industries where high quality surfaces are required, and where bringing out a specific finish on ferrous and nonferrous metals is a top priority. Our rigorous R&D work is paying off - the upgraded QUICK-STEP product line delivers longer life, higher removal rates and quicker time to a brushed or mirror finish" said Jonathan Douville, Product Manager, Walter Surface Technologies International.

Available in early March, the new QUICK-STEP FINISHER with QUICK-STEP BLENDEX and QUICK-STEP FLEX can work well on individual tasks or together in a sequence (as a complete kit) to obtain best results in blending and polishing metal surfaces.

Demonstration video: "How to produce a Number 8 mirror finish on Stainless Steel" see video HERE

#### **About Walter Surface Technologies**

Walter Surface Technologies provides innovative solutions for the global metal working industry. From high performance abrasives, power tools and tooling to industrial parts washing systems, cleaners, degreasers and lubricants Walter focuses on helping its customers work better. Founded in 1952, the company is established in 7 countries throughout North America, South America and Europe. International headquarters is in Montreal and US headquarters is located in Windsor, Connecticut. Key certification and awards include ISO 9001: 2008, Wall Street Journal Award; Deutscher Material Preiz; American Eagle Award; CleanTech Cleaning Technology Award.

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