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American Association of Automatic Door Manufacturers (AAADM) Offers a FREE Report Highlighting Automatic Doors for the Healthcare Industry

The American Association of Automatic Door Manufacturers (AAADM) is pleased to offer a free, two-page Report that provides valuable information on automatic doors for the healthcare industry. The Report, which includes photos, information on door types and more, can be downloaded from AAADM's Web site (www.aaadm.com) or obtained as an electronic PDF file by emailing a request to aaadm@aaadm.com.

According to the Report, automatic doors in hospitals, doctors' offices, surgical centers and other healthcare settings are important for enabling easy, secure access for staff and patients. It goes on to explain that often in these settings, large access areas are compulsory to allow trouble-free transfer of beds and gurneys.

Chris Johnson, AAADM's Executive Director, explains, "Automatic doors are widely used in healthcare settings, yet sometimes not fully understood by individuals in the industry. This Report is a great tool for not only those responsible for buying, specifying or maintaining doors, but anyone else working in these types of settings as well."

The primary standard addressing automatic pedestrian doors, the American National Standard for Power Operated Pedestrian Doors, ANSI/BHMA A 156.10 is discussed in this fact sheet. It explains the purpose of this standard and provides information on where and how interested parties can obtain a copy of the standard.

A basic overview of automatic door types is also provided. The Report offers valuable information about swinging, sliding, folding, low-energy and revolving doors. According to AAADM, this information is important to help users understand which type of door may be most appropriate for their particular application.

The Report also explains that low energy swinging door operators are mainly used in applications requiring compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Safety standards for low energy swinging doors are covered under ANSI A 156.19.

Finally, the Report discusses the history and purpose of AAADM and explains how to obtain additional information about automatic doors and the Association.

AAADM is a trade association of automatic door manufacturers that was founded in 1994 to promote safety in the manufacture, installation and operation of automatic doors and their components. AAADM offers training and certification for installers and service technicians as well as inspection of installations.

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