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Expanding GatorBar's® Sphere with Sphere 1!

Ahmeek, Michigan – [Neuvokas Corporation](#), the creator of GatorBar®, has been transforming industry perceptions and demand for composite rebar utilization for over eight years. Since its modest beginnings in 2013, over 120,000,000 feet of GatorBar® has been installed across the United States and Canada. Recently, GatorBar® was selected as the exclusive Preferred Supplier to Sphere 1 for composite rebar.

Sphere 1 was founded in 1999 by seven distributors and ten Preferred Suppliers with the intent of forming a co-operative purchasing association of independently owned and operated fastener, tool and concrete supply distributors and partner vendors. Since then, the organization has grown to represent the needs of 167 member distributors in over 900 locations served by 125 supplier partners.

Chris Raymond, Neuvokas Director of Marketing, Sales Management & Key Accounts said, “All of us here at GatorBar®/Neuvokas are exceptionally pleased to have been selected as Sphere 1's Preferred Supplier for composite rebar. Sphere 1 represents another key step in GatorBar's continuing acceptance within the concrete and construction supply industry. We look forward to working with Sphere 1 members and staff in bringing growth to the organization and its members as well as greater understanding and adoption of composite rebar as a common mainstay within the concrete reinforcement market.”

GatorBar® is an industry changing, glass fiber reinforced composite rebar (GFRP) that is 100% made in the USA using 100% USA made materials. GatorBar® was the first composite rebar to focus on the cost competitive applications of flatwork, stem walls, foundations, poured walls and curb and gutter. It offers:

- Better pricing and price stability than steel
- Increased installer productivity as a result of 30% - 45% installation labor savings
- Up to 4x stronger in tensile strength than steel
- Up to 7x lighter in weight than steel
- Zero-rust even in high chloride concrete and highly corrosive applications
- First composite rebar manufacturer to obtain [ICC Certification](#)

To learn more about GatorBar®, please contact Chris Raymond at craymond@gatorbar.com, 906.934.2661 office or 715.661.4303 cell. For further information about Sphere 1, please contact either Rob Moe at robmoe@sphere1net.com or 949.932.3600 office.

About Neuvokas Corp: [Neuvokas Corp](#) is based in Ahmeek, MI and produces industry leading composite rebar products for the concrete space using its proprietary and patented, high-speed manufacturing processes. Founded in 2013 by Erik Kiilunen and Ken Keranen from one simple observation...advances in manufacturing and material sciences allow composite rebar to be produced competitively with its steel counterpart at higher levels of performance.

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