

## **Quanex's AMSCO Facility Earns ISO 9001 Certification**

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HOUSTON, Jan. 5 /PRNewswire/ -- Quanex Corporation (NYSE: NX) today announced that the quality management systems of its AMSCO facility have been certified to ISO 9001, BS EN 9001, and ANSI/ASQC Q9001-1994 quality assurance standards. Based in Rice Lake, Wisconsin, AMSCO produces precision-formed metal components for high-quality window and door products, office furniture and partition products, and other engineered, commercial applications.

AMSCO and Chatsworth, Illinois-based Homeshield Fabricated Products make up Quanex's Fabricated Products Division, which is part of the company's engineered products group.

The certification of the quality management system applies to AMSCO's design and manufacturing processes, including aluminum and steel rollforming, plastic extrusions, fabrications, and assembly. As part of the certification, AMSCO must maintain its quality management systems to required standards, which will be monitored by an accredited outside agency.

"ISO certification highlights just one of the steps AMSCO has undertaken recently to improve its production processes," said Jim Gulliford, vice president and general manager of Quanex's Fabricated Products Division. "These efforts also improve our customer service and provide us with added capabilities to pursue customized applications for OEMs (original equipment manufacturers) in new markets."

Quanex is a technological leader in the production of value-added engineered steel bars, aluminum flat-rolled products, and engineered, formed-metal products for transportation, capital equipment, homebuilding and remodeling, defense and other industries. The company was founded in 1927 and its stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol NX. For more information, call or visit the company's web site at www.quanex.com.

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