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SCOTSMAN PRODIGY® NUGGET OFFERS BEST OF BOTH WORLDS

VERNON HILLS, III.—Scotsman Ice Systems, the premier innovator of energy-efficient ice technology, welcomes the new Prodigy® Nugget to its industry-leading Prodigy® family of ice machines. The new model unites two of the company's most popular products: Nugget Ice, The Original Chewable Ice™, and the advanced technology of the Prodigy® line.

Prodigy® machines are some of the smartest, most foolproof ice makers on the market today. Known for their advanced technology and self-monitoring systems, Prodigy® products offer operators up-to-the-minute reporting on the machine's performance, as well as maintenance needs. The machines visually indicate when they're in the ice production mode, as well as signals when routine maintenance is required. An external diagnostic light panel makes it easy for anyone in the kitchen to read and understand, from senior chefs to servers. It's no wonder the Prodigy® line was recognized, when it launched in 2007, with a Kitchen Innovations Award from the National Restaurant Association.

The addition of Nugget Ice capabilities to the Prodigy® line is destined to make the machines more popular than ever. Nugget Ice was created by Scotsman with the consumer in mind. Its innovative shape and soft, chewable form make it a favorite for all types of beverages. The ice displaces more liquid than cubed ice, lowering syrup costs per cup, and the machines use less water in production compared to cubed varieties. Prodigy® Nugget Ice Machines are also highly efficient, using up to 50 percent less water and 17 percent less energy than cube ice machines. Good news not only in terms of conservation, but for the bottom line as well.

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With the new Prodigy[®] Nugget, as well as new Prodigy[®] Flake Ice Machines, operators can rely on some of the industry's most innovative technology to ensure the machine performs to the highest standards.

This includes the AutoAlert[™] self-monitoring system and advanced diagnostics for streamlined performance and dependability. Technicians can determine any operating issues quickly, ensuring that equipment is fixed right the first time, saving operators time and money. And these machines are so reliable that the best warranty in the industry comes standard.

As one of the world's largest manufacturers of ice systems, with more than 300 models of ice machines, storage bins, and ice and water dispensers, Scotsman is dedicated to developing today's most promising smart technologies. In the past six years, the company has been honored by a variety of third parties for excellence in achieving these goals. The Prodigy[®] cuber was one of the National Restaurant Association's 2007 Kitchen Innovation winners, a finalist for the prestigious Product of the Year Award from the Foodservice Consultants Society International (FCSI) in 2006 and 2007, and was named the best new equipment product at the 2006 Western Foodservice Expo.

Twice in the last five years, Scotsman has been recognized as one of the Top 25 Best Plants in the U.S. by *IndustryWeek* magazine and, in September 2006, was named one of the Top 10 Best Plants by the magazine. Scotsman was also recognized by the College of Business at Utah State University as a 2006 finalist for the prestigious Shingo Prize. For more information visit www.scotsman-ice.com.

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