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**U.S. DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF COMMERCE TO AWARD LOCAL FIRM
EXPORT ACHIEVEMENT CERTIFICATE AND RELEASE MID-YEAR EXPORT
DATA FOR GREATER BOSTON/NEW HAMPSHIRE AREA**

On **Monday, July 14, 2008**, U.S. Commerce Deputy Assistant Secretary Matt Priest will announce current data that precisely measures merchandise export values for the Greater Boston/New Hampshire area for the first six months of 2007. According to the data, New Hampshire exports remain a bright spot in the State's economy with the Boston/New Hampshire area earning a strong national ranking with regard to total export value. Priest will release the data at Warwick Mills, a textile manufacturer and exporter in New Ipswich, N.H. Priest will also present the company with an export achievement certificate to recognize the company's export success.

Warwick Mills, founded in 1870 and focused originally on cotton-based textiles, has developed into a dynamic New Hampshire firm that now concentrates in materials engineering and protective fabrics, relying on their core technologies in technical textiles, custom adhesives, and performance coatings. Warwick's success includes supplying 15,000 U.S. Marines in Iraq with protective gloves and exporting their products to Brazil, Mexico, Germany and South Korea. World-class innovation, coupled with investment in customer relationships, best describes Warwick Mills as they continue to experience worldwide success.

The data series that will be released contains merchandise export values for 369 U.S. metropolitan areas. Service export values are not included in this series. Available for 2005, 2006, and the first half 2007, this data also contains metro area exports as a percent of the state total, where possible; product exports to individual countries for the 50 largest metropolitan areas; top global export product categories; and total exports to ten regional destinations.

WHO: Matt Priest, U.S. Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce

WHAT: Presentation of Export Achievement Certificate and release of New Mid-Year 2007 Metropolitan Export Data

WHEN: **Monday, July 14, 2008**
10:45 a.m. – Remarks
11:30 a.m. – MEDIA AVAILABILITY

WHERE: Warwick Mills facility
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