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**Technoform associates earn NFRC Simulator certification, supporting customers’ fenestration design innovations**

Twinsburg, Ohio (Dec. 2019) ­­– Technoform’s Gabriel Louthan recently completed training and successfully passed testing for the National Fenestration Rating Council (NFRC) Certified Simulator program becoming the third certified simulator along with Stephen Aki and Bart Hensley.

Louthan and Aki are based in Oregon and Hensley is in Tennessee. Together, these certified associates provide Technoform’s North American customers with NFRC-certified simulations to support research and development of innovative façade, cladding and fenestration systems.

“We are pleased to offer our customers these simulations as part of our ongoing services. We regularly provide thermal simulations, R&D support, assembly assistance, and engineering review,” explained Stephen Aki. “Technoform takes care to individualize each customer’s experience to best suit their needs from product design through production.”

Along with its customized services, Technoform provides customers with high-performance insulating profiles for façades, cladding and fenestration systems. These thermal optimization solutions from Technoform include polyamide pressure plates, thermal break profiles and durable, warm edge spacers for insulating glass.

The NFRC is a leading authority on the performance of windows, curtainwall, doors and skylights for the United States. With 30 years of experience and independent, third-party ratings data, the NFRC helps buildings meet the challenges of an energy-efficient future.

There are approximately 200 NFRC Certified Simulators in the United States. To be certified, participants must complete a 30-hour course, pass two exams and maintain annual continuing education.

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The training helps participants gain an understanding of heat transfer modeling software, which includes THERM, WINDOW, OPTICS and CMAST, RESFEN and COMFEN. In addition, they become familiar with the Spectral Data Library and learn how to apply simulations for U-Factors, Solar Heat Gain Coefficients, Visible Transmittance and Condensation Resistance Factors.

Aki added, “We congratulate Gabe in earning this industry-leading certification. It’s really important that the three of us at Technoform are able to possess this knowledge and provide this service.”

In addition to Technoform’s participation with NFRC, the company’s associates regularly pursue professional development and certification opportunities. Strengthening both their knowledge and their customer relationships, Technoform team members are involved with such additional industry organizations as the American Architectural Manufacturers Association (AAMA), the Facade Tectonics Institute, the Insulating Glass Manufacturers Alliance (IGMA) and the National Glass Association/Glass Association of North America (NGA/GANA).

For additional information about Technoform and its solutions for the North America market, please email [info.us@technoform.com](mailto:info.us@technoform.com?subject=News%20Release), call 330-487-6600 or visit [Technoform.com](https://www.technoform.com/en).

*Technoform provides high-performance insulative solutions for façades, cladding and fenestration systems. Its best-in-class building envelope products are developed through collaboration with its customer partnerships to boost thermal performance of windows, curtainwall and opaque façades. The relative low cost and high performance of Technoform’s components help building designs to balance energy efficiency with occupant health and comfort without compromising aesthetics.*

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