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ThyssenKrupp Access Wins First Place for Innovation

ThyssenKrupp Access recently picked up another 1st place award, this time the recipient of the 2005 HBE Innovation Award in the Residential Elevators category. Home Builder Executive awards its honors annually for unique products, designs, and features brought to the market. Award winners were published in the August 22, 2005 issue of Home Builder Executive magazine. ThyssenKrupp Access, a leader in innovation, beat out other residential elevator manufacturers such as Concord and Waupaca.

"We're really proud to win this award. Every year we release some phenomenal products that add a lot of value to your home and are just as interesting as they are functional. It's nice to be recognized for all the hard work," Jim Quinly, General Manager, Residential Elevator Division, ThyssenKrupp Access, said.

ThyssenKrupp Access offers multiple residential elevators, one of the most exciting being the LEV. The LEV boasts being the number one selling residential elevator in North America. The LEV features only a six-inch pit depth and no need for a separate machine room. These features make the LEV a perfect choice for a residential install, both in new homes and to retrofit.

Also for the retrofit market, ThyssenKrupp Access offers the Windsor line, which doesn't require a pit, making it much easier to install in an existing home. What's next for ThyssenKrupp Access? Building on the LEV's award winning technology will come the Signet line, unveiling later this year. The Signet will feature fully customizable cabs with options such as hard wood, marble and other premium finishes. Also, look for expansion in the LEV line with additional features and options.

About ThyssenKrupp Access

Since 1947, ThyssenKrupp Access, headquartered in Grandview, MO, has been the world's leading accessibility equipment and residential elevator manufacturer. Equipment manufactured at its plant include stair lifts, wheelchair lifts and elevators for both residential and commercial use. ThyssenKrupp Access has more than 1,000 dealers nationwide along with 19 company owned and operated field sales offices. For more information about ThyssenKrupp Access, visit the company's web site at www.tkaccess.com.

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