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## **BELLCOMB ANNOUNCES USCG CERTIFICATION FOR MARINE PANELS**

**Minneapolis, MN December 2, 2011** – Bellcomb, the world's largest manufacturer of lightweight structural composite panels, has been awarded USCG certification(s) on its entire Marine Panel line. **Nautical Lite** base panel is an engineered aluminum-face and aluminum honeycomb core panel, **Nautical Lite Design Lam** – is a base panel with decorative surface film applied, **Nautical Lite Dura-Lam** – is a panel with high-pressure laminated face surface(s), **Nautical Lite Dura-Hue** – is a panel finished with high-performance paint and sealer, **Nautical Lite Strata** – is a lightweight structural honeycomb panel faced with a thin veneer layer of natural stone

In addition, a Bellcomb Nautical Lite product carry IMO and DNV Certifications

**ABOUT BELLCOMB** – Bellcomb Technologies Incorporated, designs and manufacturers of light weight structural panels based on aerospace technology but designed to meet the requirements and budgets of commercial products. Its process produces products with tight tolerances and demanding structural performance profiles. Products often include framing, connection systems and final assembly work. Bellcomb provides products to many industries with customers in North America, Europe and Asia. Production is supported by two specialized factories in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Bellcomb's manufacturing capacity is over 40M square feet (4M square meters) annually. Bellcomb recently completed bringing on like the internal production of its own aluminum, paper, and plastic composite honeycomb which will result in faster service and more competitive pricing for its clients. Technical expertise has always been the cornerstone of Bellcomb's success, from custom design engineering services to precision manufacturing.

The Nautical Lite series is designed to provide the look, and durability you need, while providing panels that are both stronger and lighter than traditional offerings.

Available for immediate production, Nautical Lite panels can be produced in custom or standard panel configurations. Some of the features of the Nautical Lite panels include:

- A full line of extrusions to support installation of its Nautical Lite panels.
- The Nautical Lite series may be used on interior or exterior walls, bulkheads, elevators, cabinetry, partitions, floors and ceilings. The Nautical Lite Strata series can be used wherever natural stone will enhance the beauty and value of a project and reduce weight by 80% as compared to traditional 3cm stone.
- Standard honeycomb cell size is ¼" (6mm), other cell sizes available.

- Standard panel thicknesses are 0.393" (10mm), 0.787" (20mm), 1.181" (30mm)
- The minimum custom panel thickness are 0.125" (3mm) with a maximum thickness up to 2.0" (50mm).
- Standard panel sizes of 48" x 96", custom sizes available.

"The US Coast Guard is very thorough in their testing. Successfully accomplishing this certification can be attributed to the dedication and teamwork here at Bellcomb," said David Hartwell, President, "USCG certification allows us to service the marine industry and provide new customers with Bellcomb's highest quality products".

Hartwell states, "The addition of the USCG and IMO certification at Bellcomb for its Nautical Lite product line, allows the industry to take advantage of the problem solving skills that have been so popular in the more than 40 industries that Bellcomb currently supplies. Bellcomb's investment in innovative and high capacity manufacturing systems equates to high quality and short lead times for mid- and high-volume requirements."

For additional information on Nautical Lite Panels at Bellcomb, contact Robert Holder **763-746-000** or [robertholder@bellcomb.com](mailto:robertholder@bellcomb.com), visit [www.bellcomb.com](http://www.bellcomb.com) for additional information.

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