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National Nail's CAMO® Supports NADRA's Deck Safety Month® in May

Grand Rapids, MI --- Spring has sprung and it's time to think about deck building and life outdoors. To help keep homeowners safe, CAMO is joining the efforts of the North American Deck and Railing Association (NADRA) during Deck Safety Month® in May to promote deck safety. National Nail's CAMO deck fastening systems include revolutionary CAMO Edge Fastening that drives the fastener into the side of the boards and the joist, as well as face fasteners and clips for a variety of ways to fasten the substructure and deck boards.

"Proper, strong fastening and connections are critical to deck safety," said Greg Palmer, Marketing Director, National Nail. "The feedback we've had from contractors indicate that National Nail has the strongest fasteners on the market and our CAMO Edge Fastening system has been touted as adding stability to a deck time and again because it fastens the board on both sides and attaches the deck board directly to the joist."

There are some common culprits that can cause decks to become unsafe or even collapse. The experts at CAMO suggest having a professional home inspector check the following to keep your deck in top shape:

- Check the ledger board connection that attaches the deck to the house and for board splitting.
- Fastener corrosion
- Lateral movement, uplift and racking
- Warped, rotted or loose boards
- Raised fasteners that present a tripping hazard
- hanger/toe nail failure
- Loose or comprised railings
- Post and beam failure
- Ensure the deck is up to current local codes

Palmer also cited older decks as being particularly at risk, because they may have been built before codes were established. "There are cases where the deck is attached to the house with nails and that is extremely dangerous," he said.

NADRA's Michael Beaudry, executive vice president says it's important to Check Your Deck® for these issues every season to keep you and your loved ones safe. "With more than 50 million decks in the U.S., it is



estimated that 25 million decks are past their useful life and need to be replaced or repaired," he says. Heavy snow, rain, the elements and wear and tear can take their toll on the structure."

Check out NADRA's "10-Point Consumer Safety Checklist" for tips on making decks safer at www.NADRA.org. Or, to learn more about National Nail's CAMO deck fasteners at www.camofasteners.com.

About CAMO Edge Fastening

CAMO Edge Fastening™ from National Nail delivers beautiful, fastener-free, Barefoot Approved™ results with virtually any wood, composite or PVC decking. CAMO® offers a variety of guides, fasteners, and accessories, as well as a collated system to suit project requirements. For more information or to locate a dealer, visit <u>CAMO</u> <u>Fasteners</u> or call 1-800-968-6245. Be sure to <u>"Like"</u> CAMO® Fasteners on Facebook.

About NADRA:

The North American Decking and Railing Association is the voice of the decking industry, representing the interests of <u>deck builders</u>, <u>inspectors</u>, <u>manufacturers</u>, <u>dealers/distributors</u>, <u>lumberyards</u>, <u>wholesalers</u>, <u>retailers</u>, and <u>service providers</u> alike. NADRA's mission is to provide a unified source for the professional development, promotion, growth, and sustenance of the deck and railing building industry in North America so that members can exceed the expectations of their customers. Visit <u>www.NADRA.org</u> to access all of NADRA's Deck Safety Month® resources.