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## Press Release: HKD and Turbocristal to merge and form HKD Turbo

Creating A Fully Integrated North American Snowmaking Company

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Tuesday May 3, 2011, Natick, Massachusetts, USA and Quebec City, Quebec Canada.  
HKD Snowmakers (HKD) and Turbocristal Snowmaking Systems (Turbo) are excited to announce they have executed a Strategic Collaboration Agreement on May 2, 2011. This Agreement lays the groundwork for a merger of the two companies to be completed on or before June 30, 2011. The combined company will be called **HKD Turbo** and will have manufacturing, sales and service in the US and Canada, and distribution around the world.

**HKD Turbo** will offer a complete line of air/water and fan snowmaking technology in both manual and automatic configurations, as well as engineering services, construction supervision, and turn-key installation. Fan technology will revolve around the unique central nozzle design pioneered by Turbocristal. Air/Water technology will be made up of the market-leading product line developed by HKD Snowmakers.

**HKD Turbo** will bring together 45 years of combined snowmaking experience in Fan and Air/Water technology. Charles Santry, President of HKD Snowmakers and CEO of **HKD Turbo** explains: "Charles Lavoie (President of Turbocristal), Ian Jarrett (VP of HKD) and I have been working on this for quite some time. Our philosophies are compatible and we have an enthusiastic team ready to tackle this new challenge. We all understand, and are tremendously excited by, the range of great products and improved services we will now be able to offer our customers. Our product line will cover all the bases. R & D and product development will be enhanced through additional testing capabilities, and all of our products will be proudly manufactured in Canada or in the US."

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