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HAZEN & ASSOCIATES EXPANDS SHOWROOM AT PACIFIC MARKET CENTER **Expansion reflects continued growth and success for PMC tenants**

SEATTLE – Pacific Market Center (formerly known as The Seattle Gift Center) announces the recent expansion of the Hazen & Associates showroom featuring high-end kitchen and housewares. The expansion has doubled the showroom's size and will provide buyers with access to expanded lines and the expertise they have come to expect from the showroom staff at Pacific Market Center.

The industry destination for buyers in the Western United States, Canada and beyond, Pacific Market Center draws thousands of buyers from more than 30 channels of distribution including high-end department stores, corporate, specialty retailers, home furnishings, kitchenware, events, gourmet food, hospitality, garden/outdoor living, salons & spas, wineries, Internet and regional chain outlets.

Hazen & Associates showroom Principal Catherine Hazen, has worked in Seattle's permanent wholesale mart for more than 20 years. The Hazen & Associates showroom represents numerous quality brands including All Clad Cookware, Staub, Danesco, the Jarden Margaritaville, and Sagaform. Buyers regularly visiting the showroom include both local and national gourmet and specialty retailers such as Sur La Table, Amazon.com, Mrs Cooks, City Kitchens, and Kitchen Kaboodle.

"This summer's Gift & Home Accessories Show was our first in the expanded space and was an overwhelming success as we gained several new customers," said Hazen. "Our business is growing and the expansion allows us to better display our lines and better serve the buyers visiting Pacific Market Center."

Hazen began her career as a representative for J. Garner selling products ranging from gifts and home furnishing to accessories out of a showroom at Pacific Market Center. Seventeen years later, Hazen's passion for food and gardening inspired her to launch her own business. In 2000, Hazen opened her own showroom which allowed her to focus on her passion -- housewares. Today, Hazen employs a staff of eight in addition to five sales reps. Hazen has worked with all aspects of the culinary industry, with a focus on chefs, and is a member of the International Association of Culinary Professionals (IACP) and Les Dames d'Escoffier, as well as a board member of the International Housewares Representatives Association (IHRA).

"Hazen & Associates has always been a successful showroom offering popular product lines so we were excited about Catherine's decision to expand," said Lisa Goodman, marketing director, Pacific Market Center. "Catherine's enthusiasm and passion for her business is an inspiration to so many of us at Pacific Market Center."

The Hazen & Associates expanded showroom opened in August 2006 and is located in Suite 540 at Pacific Market Center.

For more information about Pacific Market Center, visit www.pacificmarketcenter.com

About Pacific Market Center

The industry destination for buyers in the Western United States, Canada and beyond, Pacific Market Center offers 100 permanent showrooms on five floors featuring thousands of product lines for a wide selection of merchandise to help buyers keep up with every trend affecting their consumers. Pacific Market Center draws thousands of buyers from more than 30 channels of distribution including high-end department stores, corporate, specialty retailers, home furnishings, kitchenware, events, gourmet food, hospitality, garden/outdoor living, salons & spas, wineries, Internet, and regional

chain outlets. Located in Seattle's Design District, Pacific Market Center is open to the trade only. For more information, visit www.pacificmarketcenter.com. Pacific Market Center is owned and managed by The Benaroya Companies.

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