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TRIMAS' RIEKE PACKAGING SYSTEMS PRESENTED ENVIRONMENTAL EXCELLENCE AWARD

BLOOMFIELD HILLS, Michigan, September 18, 2008 – TriMas Corporation (NYSE: TRS) - a diversified growth company of highly-engineered, specialty niche businesses – today announced that Rieke Packaging Systems has been presented the Governor's Award for Environmental Excellence for "*Five Years of Continuous Improvement.*" The award was presented at the 11th Annual Pollution Prevention Conference in Indianapolis, Indiana on September 17th.

"Since the infancy of our ISO 14001 program in 2002, we have adopted continuous improvement objectives focused on reducing waste and protecting our environment," commented Lynn Brooks, President of Rieke Packaging Systems. "I am proud of the commitment demonstrated from our team and pleased with the progress we have made to date. These efforts not only reduce waste, but also save money and benefit the community."

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM), in cooperation with the Lieutenant Governor's Office of Energy and Defense Development, the Indiana Department of Administration, and the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, sponsor these awards to recognize Indiana's leaders who have implemented outstanding environmental strategies into their operations and decision-making processes. Rieke Packaging Systems demonstrated its commitment to the environment by working with the community in emergency preparedness, implementing its ISO14001 program and increasing material recycling efforts, as well as reducing emissions and wastes.

About Rieke Packaging Systems

Headquartered in Auburn, Indiana, Rieke Packaging Systems has built its worldwide reputation on setting the standards in the packaging industry since 1921. The company is a leading manufacturer and distributor of premium-quality packaging products for the global commercial, industrial and consumer sectors. Rieke has market leadership in steel and plastic closure caps, drum enclosures, ring and levers, and specialty dispensing systems.

About TriMas

Headquartered in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, TriMas Corporation (NYSE: TRS) is a diversified growth company of high-end, specialty niche businesses manufacturing a variety of products for commercial, industrial and consumer markets worldwide. TriMas Corporation is organized into five strategic business segments: Packaging Systems, Energy Products, Industrial Specialties, RV & Trailer Products, and Recreational Accessories. TriMas Corporation has nearly 5,000 employees at 70 different facilities in 10 countries. For additional information, please visit www.trimascorp.com.

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