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**IGA Independents' Days Conference and Americas' Glass Showcase™
Draw Great Crowds, Stir Industry Discussions**

The final numbers are in and show the Independent Glass Association's (IGA) Annual Independents' Days Conference and Americas' Glass Showcase™ held in Las Vegas in mid-May to have been a rousing success. The event is geared toward glass retailers in the auto and flat glass business.

The Conferences offered many thought-provoking seminars, including a keynote speech by noted consumer safety advocate Ralph Nader.

"I have been in business since Sept. 8, 1971. I have been to many conventions. Personally, I rank this one among the very, very best," commented Rusty Earles of Earles' Glass in Troy, Alabama.

Final tally shows more than 1,280 attended to the event, co-located for the first time and held at the Cashman Center in Downtown Las Vegas. Traffic on the trade show floor was steady throughout the event, until the last hour of the last day.

Auto-glass only business attendees were 400 strong with almost another 200 attendees indicating they were primarily auto glass but listed flat glass as a secondary business. Flat glass only attendees totaled more than 850.

Total Attendees	1289
Auto glass only attendees	437
Auto glass and flat glass secondary business	189
Flat glass only attendees	851

The Americas Glass Association (formerly the California Glass Association) is committed to raising the professional standards of the retail and contract glazing industry. It is working for the industry through product and service referrals, code interpretations and everyday practical knowledge of the glazing industry.

The IGA is the only association dedicated to the needs of the independent auto glass companies in North America. Its members are also dedicated to the professional and ethical installation of glass in a safe and proper manner. IGA members are located in all 50 states and ten countries.