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### CWA RELEASES PROPOSED ENGINEERING SPECIFICATION FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT

**Boulder, Colorado; December 11, 2008** – The Climbing Wall Association is pleased to announce that a proposed draft of the “General Specification for the Design and Engineering of Artificial Climbing Structures, First Edition” has been released for public review and comment. The purpose of the engineering specification is to assist designers and builders of climbing structures by providing a modern specification to replace the dated and unmaintained CWIG standards.

The engineering specification has been developed through a collaborative effort by members of the climbing industry over many years. The proposed draft was completed by the CWA Engineering Standards Committee. The proposed specification has been subject to professional engineering review and is now ready for public review and comment.

According to Bill Zimmermann, Executive Director of the CWA, “This proposed specification is a major industry accomplishment. The standards this document is intended to replace have not been maintained since 1993. The proposed specification is a much more comprehensive document.”

Interested parties can get the draft on the Web site here:

[http://www.climbingwallindustry.org/draft\\_stds\\_download1.php](http://www.climbingwallindustry.org/draft_stds_download1.php) and can submit comments here:

<http://www.climbingwallindustry.org/standardcomment.php>. After the 30 day public review and comment period is concluded, the CWA will issue an official version of the document.

**About the Climbing Wall Association, Inc. (CWA)** is a 501(c)(06), non-profit, industry trade association incorporated in May of 2003. The CWA is the only trade association addressing the needs and interests of the climbing wall industry and climbing wall operators. The mission of the Climbing Wall Association is to support the development of the climbing wall industry, to promote the sport of climbing, and to advocate for the interests of our members.

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