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Birdair, Inc. Awarded Empire City Casino Contract

– Yonkers Attraction to Feature ETFE Porte-Cochere –

BUFFALO, NY... Birdair, Inc., the leading specialty contractor of lightweight long-span roofing systems and tensile structures of all sizes throughout the world, has been awarded the contract to provide a pneumatic roofing system for a newly constructed porte-cochere at the Empire City Casino at Yonkers Raceway in Yonkers, New York.

Birdair has been awarded a design-build contract for an approximately 11,000 square foot casino porte-cochere. The material selected for the drop-off canopy is ETFE, or ethylene tetrafluoroethylene, a transparent film that is lightweight, flexible and sustainable. ETFE will cover a steel lattice shell structure to create a dramatic sculptural entrance canopy.

The ETFE material can last over 20 years without losing its transparency or strength. Due to its nonstick surface, ETFE resists airborne pollutants, making it chemically resistant and naturally self-cleaning.

“The entrance canopy for the Empire City Casino is a new and impressive approach to ordinary casino design with its modern look,” explains David Capezzuto, Director of Business Development, Birdair. “ETFE provides greater design capabilities than a conventional glass system.”

As a full-service specialty contractor, Birdair offers complete design-build assistance and solutions and has completed more than 1,200 tensile architecture installations worldwide. Learn more at www.birdair.com.

About Birdair: Birdair, Inc. is the leading specialty contractor of lightweight long-span roofing systems and tensile structures throughout the world, providing design-build solutions for architects and clients in all aspects of project design, engineering, installation and maintenance. The company offers a selection of architectural fabric membrane, including Tensotherm™ with Lumira™ aerogel, the world’s only translucent insulated tensile membrane roofing material. Birdair, based in Buffalo, NY, is a member of the Taiyo Kogyo Group, with operations serving North and South America and other international locations. For more information about Birdair, like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/Birdair, call 1-800-622-2246 or visit www.birdair.com.

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