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### Sarnafil, Roofing and Waterproofing Leader, Protects Key 2004 Olympic Venue

#### *Once Again, Sarnafil Has Olympic Stadiums Covered*

CANTON, MASS. July 27, 2004—Sarnafil, a worldwide leading manufacturer of thermoplastic roofing and waterproofing systems, announces its participation in the renovation of the Stadium of Peace and Friendship, the volleyball venue for the 2004 Olympic Games. Two years ago, Sarnafil roof membrane was selected to protect the Salt Lake City Olympic Oval Speed Skating Arena.

Sarnafil's 2004 Olympic project is located in the Faliro Coastal Zone Olympic Complex, about 25 km from the Olympic Village and south of Athens, the site for volleyball, beach volleyball, taekwondo, and handball competitions.

#### **Stadium of Peace and Friendship**

The renovated Stadium of Peace and Friendship, long a familiar venue for international competitions, now sports a concave Sarnafil roof to protect some 14,000 spectators and players from the extreme Athens summer sun. The stadium will be an architectural eye-catcher at the Games, which begin in mid-August. The concave roof is supported solely by pillars at its perimeter, giving television viewers and spectators alike an unobstructed view of the action.

Despite tough international competition, the general contractor decided in favor of using Sarnafil for the stadium. "For this, our competence in roof restoration and waterproofing, as well as in construction physics, was decisive," explains Josef Marbach, Sarnafil manager of business area flat roofing at Sarnafil's Sarnen, Switzerland headquarters.

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Sarnafil-trained technicians passed on their expertise to the authorized roofing installers at the stadium, a step that played a crucial role in completion of the enormous installation, as large as two soccer fields.

“Our work on the restoration of the Stadium of Peace and Friendship carries the prestige of the Olympic Games and will serve as a long-lasting reference for Sarnafil in Greece,” points out Marbach. Sarnafil has been active in the Greek market for twenty years, focusing on flat roofs for supermarkets and industrial plants.

### **About Sarnafil**

Sarnafil Inc. is a subsidiary of Switzerland-based Sarna Group, a manufacturer of high-tech plastic polymers for a wide range of applications including roofing, waterproofing, civil engineering, and automotive applications. Since 1964, Sarnafil has manufactured more than 3.5 billion sq. ft of thermoplastic roofing and waterproofing membrane in Switzerland, China, and Canton, Mass. Sarnafil roofing and waterproofing systems protect some of the world’s most valuable structures and treasures, including schools and universities, libraries, museums, hospitals, commercial buildings, and Olympic stadiums. For more information about Sarnafil in the U.S., visit [www.sarnafilus.com](http://www.sarnafilus.com)



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