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DUCKWALL-ALCO ANNOUNCES “SEASON OF GIVING” FOOD DRIVE

Abilene, Kansas (November 16, 2009) – Duckwall-ALCO Stores, Inc., today announced “A Season of Giving,” a holiday food drive across all Duckwall-ALCO towns. This program is being supported by national and local chambers of commerce and other participating local businesses.

Duckwall-ALCO has already committed \$125,000 as an event kickoff. The drive will take place November 24 through December 6, and will collect much needed supplies for local food banks. Multiple sites will be established across each community to collect donations of non-perishable canned foods for a locally designated food assistance program.

“In the wake of the current economic downturn, community food banks throughout the country have reported increased shortages as more and more families and individuals seek assistance,” said Jane Gilmartin, Chief Operating Officer for Duckwall-ALCO Stores, Inc. “We are very pleased to be leading this community wide effort.”

About Duckwall-ALCO Stores, Inc.

Duckwall-ALCO Stores, Inc. is a regional broad line retailer that specializes in meeting the needs of smaller, underserved communities across 23 states, primarily in the central United States. The Company offers an exceptional selection of quality products and recognized brand names at reasonable prices. Its specialty is delivering those products with the friendly, personal service its customers have come to expect. With 257 stores, Duckwall-ALCO Stores is proud to have continually provided excellent products at good value prices to its customers for 108 years. To learn more about Duckwall-ALCO Stores, Inc., visit www.ALCOstores.com.

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