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## QUIKRETE® Fireplace Mortar Ideal for Repairing Damage Commonly Found in Fireboxes

ATLANTA (Feb. 2, 2010) – QUIKRETE® Fireplace Mortar is a silicate-based refractory cement caulk ideal for tuck pointing damaged firebox mortar joints, chips, cracks and spalls commonly found in fireplaces and wood burning stoves. Once cured, the mortar provides superior adhesion for a durable repair while withstanding heats up to 2000 F (1093 C).

Using a caulk gun, the mortar is applied in strips no greater than 1/8-inch with multiple 1/8-inch layers for larger joints as needed. Once dry, stoke a low fire up-to 212 F for 1-4 hours to assure adequate drying and set time. Once the product is dry, stoke the firebox temperature to 500 F for an additional 1-4 hours before routine usage.

QUIKRETE® Fireplace Mortar, sold in 10 ounce tubes, retails for approximately \$5.

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