



## **Sico America in Minneapolis Orders Robotic Automation for China Facility**

Minneapolis, Minn. – September 7, 2007 – Sico Incorporated and PRI Robotics Inc. today announced the ordering of Sico’s first welding robot for their Beijing, China facility. “Our previous robotic welding systems were justified mainly as a result of direct labor savings and reduced inventory, made possible by the increased throughput. The system we have ordered for our China facility was justified as a result of the consistent quality that robotic welding produces” says Jim Pugh, Manufacturing Manager at Sico America.

Sico Incorporated specializes in the expertise of making more efficient use of space through the implementation and use of its mobile folding products. These products are not limited to their folding tables, stages, dance floors, wallbeds and partitions. For over 50 years the Sico name has been synonymous with superior craftsmanship and outstanding durability.

Sico America with headquarters in Edina, MN is no stranger to robotic automation. Sico ordered their first robotic welding system from PRI Robotics in 1996 and today they have seven successful installations with PRI Robotics as their automation partners. Systems have been implemented in both the Edina and the Conway, Arkansas facilities.

### **About PRI Robotics**

PRI Robotics is a leading integrator of robotic systems providing a wide range of productive solutions in manufacturing and specializing in Machine Load/Unload, Arc Welding, Dispensing, Pick & Place, Assembly and Material Removal. Website: [www.prirobotics.com](http://www.prirobotics.com)

### **About SICO**

For over 50 years, Sico has been a leading, worldwide manufacturer of mobile folding products to help businesses maximize the efficient use of their space. Website: [www.sicoinc.com/](http://www.sicoinc.com/)