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## AHAM ELECTS NEW DIRECTORS

**WASHINGTON, D.C. (April 19, 2009)**- The Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM) announced the election of new Directors and the appointment of a new Treasurer at its annual member meeting in Washington, DC, on April 19, 2009.

Newly elected members of the AHAM Board of Directors with terms expiring in 2010 include Thomas F. Catania, Vice President, Whirlpool Corporation and Alvis Ricoveri, Managing Director, DeLonghi America, Inc.

Re-elected to the AHAM Board with terms expiring in 2012 are Earl F. Jones, Senior Counsel, Regulatory Compliance, GE Consumer & Industrial, a former AHAM Board Chair; Robert P. Scaglione, SVP - Marketing, Sharp Electronics Corporation who also serves as Second Vice Chair of the AHAM Board; Franz J. Bosshard, Senior Vice President, BSH Home Appliances Corporation; Jerry G. Ryder, President, InSinkErator Division, Emerson Appliance Solutions who serves as AHAM Board Chair; and Edward V. McAssey, III, COO, Lasko Products, Inc., a former Board Chair.

Paul Sikir, Vice President of Design Engineering, Sub-Zero Inc. was also appointed Treasurer, filling a vacancy created by the retirement of Mike L. Carpenter, President, Focus Electrics, LLC. Mr. Sikir also serves as an Ex Officio Director and Chair of the Major Appliance Division.

Members of the AHAM Board of Directors continuing to serve include the First Vice Chair Mark J. Bissell, President and CEO, BISSELL Inc.

Members of the AHAM Board of Directors continuing to serve include Liston P. Durden, Senior Vice President, Marketing, Viking Range Corporation and a former AHAM Board Chair; Donald E. Hoeschen, Vice President, Sales, National Presto Industries, Inc.; John Herrington, President of Sales, LG Electronics USA, Inc.; Gerald J. Lozinski, Vice President, Global Product Development, Jarden Consumer Solutions; Gordon L. Stauffer, Sr. Vice President, O.E.M. Sales, Northland-Marvel, an Aga Company and a former AHAM Board Chair; John R. Arganbright, Vice President, Sales and Marketing, Panasonic Home Appliances Company; Howard E. Buckles, Senior Associate General Counsel, Electrolux North America, Inc.; Mark L. Balcunas, President, Americas & APAC, Invensys Controls, and Chair of the Supplier Division; and Joseph M. McGuire, AHAM President

Other Ex Officio Directors are Manuel Cortez, SVP, Operations & IT, Groupe SEB USA, and Chair of the Portable Appliance Division and Scott Bolbock, Senior Director, Marketing, Electrolux Home Care Products and Chair of the Floor Care Division.

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