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AHAM ELECTS NEW VOLUNTEER LEADERS

WASHINGTON, D.C. (April 27, 2010)-- The Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM) announced the election of new association leaders at its annual member meeting, Forward Focus, in Litchfield Park, AZ on April 27, 2010. Included are AHAM Officers, the Board of Directors and Division leaders.

AHAM's newly elected Officers serving two year terms expiring in 2012 are Board Chair Mark J. Bissell, Chairman & CEO, BISSELL Inc.; First Vice Chair Robert P. Scaglione, Senior Vice President, Marketing, Sharp Electronics Corporation; Second Vice Chair Thomas F. Catania, Vice President, Government Relations, Whirlpool Corporation; and Treasurer Paul V. Sikir, Vice President of Design Engineering, Sub-Zero, Inc.

Lisa R. Carstarphen, Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, Russell Hobbs, Inc./Applia Consumer Products has been elected to the Board of Directors with a term expiring in 2011.

Re-elected members of the Board of Directors with terms expiring in 2013 are Paul V. Sikir, Vice President of Design Engineering, Sub-Zero, Inc.; Donald E. Hoeschen, Vice President, Sales, National Presto Industries, Inc.; John I. Taylor, Vice President, Government Relations, LG Electronics USA; Thomas F. Catania, Vice President, Government Relations, Whirlpool Corporation; and Alvise Ricoveri, Managing Director, DeLonghi America, Inc.

Members of the AHAM Board of Directors continuing to serve include John R. Arganbright, Vice President, Sales and Marketing, Panasonic Home Appliances Company; Mark J. Bissell, Chairman & CEO, BISSELL Inc.; Franz J. Bosshard, CEO Emeritus, BSH Home Appliances Corporation; Earl F. Jones, Senior Counsel- Regulatory Compliance, GE Appliances and Lighting; Edward V. McAssey, III, Chief Operating Officer, Lasko Products, Inc.; Jerry G. Ryder, President, InSinkErator Division, Emerson Appliance Solutions; Robert P. Scaglione, Senior Vice President, Marketing, Sharp Electronics Corporation; Gordon L. Stauffer, Sr. Vice President, O.E.M. Sales, AGA Marvel, Tom Vining, Vice President, Engineering, Electrolux Home Products NA and Joseph M. McGuire, AHAM President.

The AHAM Board approved Division leaders for two year terms ending in 2012. In the Major Appliance Division, Jennifer Mintman, GM-Consumer Home Services, GE Appliances and Lighting will serve as Board Chair and Dr. Dochul Choi, Senior Vice President, R&D, Samsung Electronics America, Inc. will serve as Vice Chair.

In the Portable Appliance Division, Manuel Cortez, SVP, Operations & IT, Groupe SEB USA will serve as Board Chair and Chan Tinkle, Executive Vice President, Blueair Inc. will serve as Vice Chair.

In the Floor Care Division, Winston S. Lindsay III, CEO, Lindsay Manufacturing, Inc. will serve as Board Chair and John Remmers, Executive Vice President - Global Product Development, TTI Floor Care NA will serve as Vice Chair.

In the Supplier Division, David P. Yundt, VP & Director -Stainless Products, Main Steel Polishing Company will serve as Board Chair and Jim M. Bowman, P.E., Sr. Principal Engineer, Honeywell International, Inc. will serve as Vice Chair.

Division chairs also serve as ex officio members of AHAM's Board of Directors.

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