



Cooper Companies Appoints Albert G. White Treasurer

LAKE FOREST, Calif., April 10, 2006 (PRIMEZONE) -- The Cooper Companies, Inc. (NYSE:COO) announced today that Albert G. White has joined the Company as Vice President and Treasurer.

White joins Cooper from corporate and investment banking at Key Bank where he was a director in the Consumer Group. For the past 10 years he has been Cooper's primary relationship banker.

White's experience includes corporate financings, acquisitions, private placements, strategic capital structure design and ancillary credit and non-credit products in both domestic and international markets.

White received a bachelor's degree in finance and a master of business administration from Virginia Tech. He and his wife and son live in Rochester, New York and will be relocating to Pleasanton, California.

Corporate Information

The Cooper Companies, Inc. manufactures and markets specialty healthcare products through its CooperVision and CooperSurgical units. Corporate offices are in Lake Forest and Pleasanton, Calif. The World Wide Web address is www.coopercos.com. A toll free interactive telephone system at 1-800-334-1986 provides stock quotes, recent press releases and financial data.

CooperVision manufactures and markets contact lenses and ophthalmic surgery products. Headquartered in Lake Forest, Calif., it manufactures in Albuquerque, N.M., Juana Diaz, Puerto Rico, Norfolk, Va., Rochester, N.Y., Adelaide, Australia, Hamble and Hampshire England, Ligny-en-Barrios, France, Madrid, Spain and Toronto. Its Web address is www.coopervision.com.

CooperSurgical manufactures and markets diagnostic products, surgical instruments and accessories to the women's healthcare market. With headquarters and manufacturing facilities in Trumbull, Conn., it also manufactures in Pasadena, Calif., North Normandy, Ill., Fort Atkinson, Wis., Montreal and Berlin. Its Web address is www.coopersurgical.com.

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