



The Cooper Companies Announces Management Changes

PLEASANTON, Calif., July 15, 2011 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- The Cooper Companies, Inc. (NYSE:COO) today announced Eugene J. Midlock, age 67, currently senior vice president and chief financial officer, has indicated his intent to retire as chief financial officer on December 16, 2011. A succession plan is in place and his successor will be named at that time.

The company also announced the following appointments to more closely align its corporate structure with its strategy.

- Carol R. Kaufman, currently senior vice president of legal affairs, secretary and chief administrative officer, has been appointed executive vice president, secretary and chief administrative officer.
- Albert G. White III, currently vice president, investor relations and treasurer, has been appointed vice president, investor relations, treasurer and chief strategic officer.
- Daniel G. McBride, Esq., currently vice president and general counsel, has been appointed vice president, general counsel and chief risk officer.
- Gregory W. Matz, currently vice president and chief financial officer, CooperVision, Inc., has been appointed vice president of finance at Cooper and will continue his role as vice president and chief financial officer, CooperVision, Inc.

About The Cooper Companies

The Cooper Companies, Inc. ("Cooper") is a global medical device company publicly traded on the NYSE Euronext (NYSE:COO). Cooper is dedicated to serving the needs of the healthcare professional, improving the quality of life for its employees and customers and providing market leading products. Cooper's commitment to health and wellness is reflected through its corporate culture and global initiatives to promote healthy life choices for its employees. Cooper operates through two business units, CooperVision and CooperSurgical. CooperVision brings a refreshing perspective on vision care with a commitment to crafting quality lenses for contact lens wearers and providing focused practitioner support. CooperSurgical focuses on supplying women's health clinicians with market leading products and treatment options to improve the delivery of healthcare to women. Both companies provide superior product range and quality, along with friendly customer service and a drive to continually innovate. Cooper and CooperVision are headquartered in Pleasanton, CA, and CooperSurgical is headquartered in Trumbull, CT.

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