



Cooper Companies Declares Cash Dividend

LAKE FOREST, Calif., May 13, 2005 (PRIMEZONE) -- The Cooper Companies, Inc. (NYSE:COO) announced today that, consistent with its plan to pay annual dividends, the Company declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 cents per share, payable on July 5, 2005 to stockholders of record on June 14, 2005.

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., Huntington Beach, Calif., Juana Diaz, Puerto Rico, Norfolk, Va., Rochester, N.Y., Adelaide, Australia, Hamble and Hampshire, England, Ligny-en-Barrios, France, Madrid, Spain and Toronto, Canada. 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., Fort Atkinson, Wis., Malmo, Sweden, Montreal, Canada and Berlin, Germany. Its Web address is www.coopersurgical.com.

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