



Cooper Companies to Present at the Smith Barney Citigroup 2005 Healthcare Conference

LAKE FOREST, Calif., March 16, 2005 (PRIMEZONE) -- The Cooper Companies, Inc. (NYSE:COO) today announced that Robert Weiss, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, will be presenting at the Smith Barney Citigroup 2005 Healthcare Conference Tuesday, March 29, 2005 at 2:10pm (ET). The conference will be held at The Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D.C. A link to the live webcast and recording of Cooper's presentation will be available on the Company's website at www.coopercos.com.

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. 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 and Berlin. Its Web address is www.coopersurgical.com.

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