Zimmer Holdings Names Marc Casper to Board of Directors

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WARSAW, Ind., Feb 27, 2009 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Zimmer Holdings, Inc. (NYSE: ZMH; SWX: ZMH) announced today that Marc N. Casper, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc., has been appointed to its Board of Directors. Thermo Fisher Scientific, the world leader in serving science, provides analytical instruments, laboratory equipment, supplies and services used in life sciences, healthcare, and environmental, industrial and safety markets. The company had 2008 revenues of $10.5 billion and has 34,000 employees around the world.

"We are delighted to welcome Marc Casper to the Zimmer board of directors," said John L. McGoldrick, Chairman of the Board of Directors. "Marc's record of achievement combines very successful experiences both in operations and in strategy development and we are looking forward to his contributions."

Prior to being named Chief Operating Officer, Mr. Casper served as President of Thermo Fisher's Analytical Technologies businesses following the merger of Thermo Electron and Fisher Scientific in 2006. He held executive positions since joining Thermo Electron in 2001. Previously, Mr. Casper served as President, Chief Executive Officer and a Director of Kendro Laboratory Products, and as President, Americas, for Dade Behring, Inc. Mr. Casper currently also serves on the board of The Advisory Board Company, a healthcare best practices research and consulting organization.

Mr. Casper earned an MBA with high distinction from Harvard Business School and is a graduate of Wesleyan University, where he received a bachelor's degree in economics.

About the Company

Founded in 1927 and headquartered in Warsaw, Indiana, Zimmer is a worldwide leader in designing, developing, manufacturing and marketing orthopaedic reconstructive, spinal and trauma devices, dental implants, and related surgical products. Zimmer has operations in more than 25 countries around the world and sells products in more than 100 countries. Zimmer's 2008 sales were

approximately $4.1 billion. The Company is supported by the efforts of more than 8,500 employees worldwide.

For more information about Zimmer, visit www.zimmer.com

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