

Zimmer Holdings Names Betsy Bernard to Board of Directors

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Zimmer Holdings, Inc. (NYSE: ZMH; SWX: ZMH) announced today that Betsy J. Bernard, a retired AT&T Corporation executive, has been appointed to its Board of Directors. Ms. Bernard currently also serves on the boards of three other publicly traded companies.

"Betsy Bernard established an excellent record over 30 years of leading large, consumer-facing organizations in competitive, highly regulated markets," said John L. McGoldrick, Chairman of the Board of Directors. "We are delighted that she is joining the Zimmer board and will bring her skills and insights to bear on the business of Zimmer."

Since retiring from AT&T in 2003, Ms. Bernard has focused on her work with a number of corporate boards and on civic activities. At AT&T, she served as President, AT&T Business, a \$26 billion division with more than four million customers. She also served as Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer, AT&T Consumer, among other leadership positions.

In addition to her AT&T experience, Ms. Bernard also served in senior executive roles at Qwest Communications International, US West Corporation and Pacific Bell, where she served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Pacific Telesis. She is a frequent speaker on women's leadership issues and served on the board of the International Women's Forum. Ms. Bernard holds a Bachelor of Science degree from St. Lawrence University, an MBA from Farleigh Dickinson University and a Master of Science degree in Management from Stanford University.

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 2007 sales were

approximately \$3.9 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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