Zimmer Launches Updated Website with New Content for Patients, Surgeons

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WARSAW, Ind., Jan 18, 2005 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX/ -- Zimmer Holdings, Inc. (NYSE: ZMH) announced today that its corporate website, http://www.zimmer.com , has been enhanced to provide easier access for patients seeking information about orthopaedic conditions and treatments and for physicians searching for product data, educational services and surgical techniques. The site has added content about Zimmer Minimally Invasive Solutions(TM) (MIS(TM)) Procedures and Technologies.

"Our Internet presence has been a key element in our drive to link patients and surgeons to the information they need, and then to link patients to the surgeons who can provide necessary treatments," said Zimmer Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer Ray Elliott. "We have integrated content from the former Centerpulse website into zimmer.com , providing site visitors with even more access to information about arthritis, treatment options, and product solutions."

In addition to streamlined navigation, the website also features greater resources for surgeons, including a calendar of medical education courses and CME webcasts. Product information, surgical techniques, white papers, design rationales, and study guides are available for surgeons who register online. Additional patient education materials have been added, with more than 40 new articles about anatomy, arthritis, back pain, dental implants, and orthopaedic treatments. Patient information on the zimmer.com site has been reviewed for accuracy by surgeons.

In addition to professional and patient education, the site features updated career and investor relations sections.

About the Company

Founded in 1927 and headquartered in Warsaw, Indiana, Zimmer is the worldwide #1 pure-play orthopaedic leader in the design, development, manufacture and marketing of reconstructive and spinal implants, trauma and related orthopaedic surgical products. In October 2003, the Company finalized its acquisition of Centerpulse AG, a Switzerland-based orthopaedics company and the leader in the European reconstructive market. The new Zimmer has operations in more than 24 countries around the world and sells products in more than 80 countries. As a result of the acquisition of Centerpulse, reported 2003 sales were $1.9 billion. Full-year 2003 pro forma worldwide sales of Zimmer and Centerpulse were approximately $2.6 billion. The new Zimmer is supported by the efforts of more than 6,500 employees.

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