

Zimmer Holdings to Partner with AmeriCares for Global Product Donation Program

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WARSAW, Ind., June 19, 2008 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Zimmer Holdings, Inc. (NYSE: ZMH; SWX: ZMH) announced today that it will partner with AmeriCares, one of the world's leading non-governmental organizations providing in-kind medical donations, to support emergency response and ongoing medical assistance. Zimmer has initially committed product valued at \$1 million to three of AmeriCares' primary programs: Global Medical Assistance, Medical Outreach and Emergency Response. AmeriCares will be responsible for assessing and matching patient needs within their Global Medical Assistance and Emergency Response programs with Zimmer's product lines, as well as screening all international medical volunteer applications referred to their Medical Outreach Program. Zimmer will not be involved in selecting the recipients of the product it donates through AmeriCares.

"We are proud to be partnering with AmeriCares for the purpose of providing the life-enhancing benefits of our products to those affected by disasters, conflict and chronic poverty," said David Dvorak, Zimmer Holdings President and Chief Executive Officer. "We are confident that AmeriCares, with its worldwide reach and longstanding record of success in medical relief work, can help us achieve our philanthropic goals in this area."

Zimmer products such as joint replacements, spinal systems, trauma products, burn care and dental implants are frequently used to address injuries or diseases that result from natural disasters or lack of advanced medical care.

"AmeriCares is pleased to have the opportunity to work with Zimmer. Zimmer's product donations will be a valuable addition to our three primary programs. For over twenty-five years, we have been able to match product donations with the critical medical needs of our partners around the world," said Curt Welling, AmeriCares President and CEO. "Collaborations with companies such as Zimmer enable us to save lives and restore health to people in crisis."

About Zimmer

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 orthopaedic 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 7,500 employees worldwide.

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

About AmeriCares

AmeriCares is a private, nonprofit international disaster relief and humanitarian aid organization, which delivers medicines, medical supplies and aid to people in crisis around the world. Since it was established in 1982, AmeriCares has distributed more than \$7.5 billion in humanitarian aid to 137 countries. For more information, log onto www.americares.org.

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