



## **Hunter Douglas acquires Paris Texas, Dallas, U.S.A.**

Rotterdam, March 8, 2005 - Hunter Douglas, the world market leader in window coverings has acquired Paris Texas Hardware, an innovative designer and marketer of branded decorative drapery hardware products.

Paris Texas Hardware will continue to operate independently and maintain its focus on supplying products of superior design and quality to the retail home market. The Company had Sales in 2004 of USD 10 mln. and has 70 employees.

This acquisition will enable Hunter Douglas to benefit from the expected continuing growth in the North American decorative drapery hardware market.

Hunter Douglas has its Head Office in Rotterdam, the Netherlands and a management office in Lucerne, Switzerland. The Hunter Douglas group is comprised of 161 companies with 64 factories, 97 assembly operations and marketing organizations in more than 100 countries. Hunter Douglas has approximately 16,000 employees and had sales in 2004 of EUR 1,720 million.

The shares of Hunter Douglas N.V. are traded on the Dutch and German Stock Exchanges.