

## Hunter Douglas' Acquisition of three European Window Covering Businesses from Newell

Rotterdam, 15 December 2006 - Hunter Douglas announces that the transfer of three of Newell's European window covering businesses as announced in the press release of 22 September 2006 has been completed on 30 November 2006. Merger control proceedings for the transfer of two small Eastern European businesses forming part of the Gardinia joint venture are still pending.

## **Profile Hunter Douglas**

Hunter Douglas is the world market leader in window coverings and a major manufacturer of architectural products. The Company has its Head Office in Rotterdam, The Netherlands, and a Management Office in Lucerne, Switzerland. The Group is comprised of 164 companies with 65 manufacturing and 99 assembly operations in more than 100 countries. Hunter Douglas employs about 19,000 people, and had sales in 2005 of EUR 1,920 million.

The common shares of Hunter Douglas N.V. are traded on Euronext and the Deutsche Börse.

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