



Whirlpool Corporation Declares Quarterly Dividend

BENTON HARBOR, Mich., Feb 15, 2005 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX/ -- The board of directors of Whirlpool Corporation (NYSE: WHR), at its regular meeting today in Chicago, declared a dividend of 43 cents per share on the company's common stock. The dividend is payable March 15 to shareholders of record at the close of business on February 28.

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Whirlpool Corporation is the world's leading manufacturer and marketer of major home appliances, with annual sales of over \$13 billion, 68,000 employees, and nearly 50 manufacturing and technology research centers around the globe. The company markets *Whirlpool*, *KitchenAid*, *Brastemp*, *Bauknecht*, *Consul* and other major brand names to consumers in more than 170 countries. Additional information about the company can be found on the Internet at <http://www.whirlpoolcorp.com>.

This news release contains forward-looking statements, as that term is defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. In addition to the expected appliance industry results for 2005 noted in this news release, there are certain factors that could cause results to differ materially from those anticipated by some of the statements made. These factors are listed in the company's most recently filed Form 10-Q and/or Form 10-K.

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