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Spectrum Brands Hardware and Home Improvement Division to Open New Distribution Facility at Logistics Park Kansas City

EDGERTON, Kan. – (February 3, 2017) Kansas Department of Commerce announced today that Spectrum Brands Hardware and Home Improvement (HHI) division plans to centralize its operations from two existing distribution facilities in Charlotte, N.C., and Mira Loma, Calif., into a single 927,112 square-foot distribution center at Logistics Park Kansas City (LPKC) in Edgerton, Kan. Construction of the building Spectrum will occupy at LPKC, known as Inland Port XXXIII, began in March 2016. It is Kansas City's largest-ever to be constructed on a speculative basis.

"Spectrum Brands HHI initiated a study of our existing distribution and fulfillment network in December with the intent of identifying the best option for the business to increase distribution capabilities and service levels, provide room for expansion, reduce overall inventory levels, and improve cost management," said Sr. Vice President and General Manager of Hardware and Home Improvement Phil Szuba. "After completing our analysis, we determined that centralizing distribution operations in Edgerton will enable Spectrum Brands HHI to more efficiently serve our customers with lower inventory levels while establishing a platform for future growth."

Spectrum Brands HHI will begin transitioning operations from California and North Carolina immediately. The company plans to start receiving inventory in Edgerton in March and will start shipping from the new LPKC distribution center in April. When complete, Spectrum Brands will have approximately 315 jobs in the State of Kansas.

"It is fitting that such a time-honored and reliable company like Spectrum will be located at Logistics Park Kansas City," said Kansas Commerce Secretary Antonio Soave. "LPKC has become a haven for excellence in business and we look forward to continuing this tradition of excellence with Spectrum Brands at its new distribution facility in Edgerton."

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“Its central location, access to a strong and available workforce with on-site recruitment and training assistance continues to illustrate why companies like Spectrum Brands HHI choose to locate in LPKC,” said City of Edgerton Mayor Roberts. “Easier and efficient access to the supply

chain and the well-known Midwestern work ethic that our community embodies was also a deciding factor. We look forward to welcoming Spectrum Brands HHI as part of the Edgerton community and building partnerships together.”

LPKC is a 1,700-acre master-planned distribution and warehouse development anchored by BNSF Railway’s newest intermodal facility, which opened in 2013. Companies located at LPKC benefit from significant transportation savings and direct access to a heavy-haul corridor. For more information about LPKC, visit www.logisticsparkkc.com.

While Spectrum Brands is looking to open its new facility in Edgerton, the project’s implementation is contingent upon formal approval of workforce, equipment and other incentives from state and local organizations.

This project was a joint effort with the following partner organizations: Kansas Department of Commerce, Kansas Department of Transportation, BNSF Railway, NorthPoint Development, KCP&L and the City of Edgerton.

For questions about this project, contact Dave Prichard, David.prichard@spectrumbrands.com at Spectrum Brands, or Nicole Randall, Nicole.Randall@ks.gov at the Kansas Department of Commerce.

About ElevateEdgerton!

ElevateEdgerton! is a public-private economic development partnership that serves as the proactive advocate for the economic advancement of the City of Edgerton. Edgerton is located in the southwest corner of Johnson County, a suburb of the Kansas City area. Edgerton defines itself as the unique juxtaposition of a small town with strong community values and a world-class inland port with direct connection to the global supply chain. ElevateEdgerton! initiates programs and services to attract and retain business, encourages diverse development by partnering with allies and ensures Edgerton stays a pro-business community. The partnership provides high-value opportunities to investors through promotion and communication, networking and thought leadership.

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About Spectrum Brands Hardware and Home Improvement

Spectrum Brands Hardware and Home Improvement is a major manufacturer and supplier of residential locksets, residential builders' hardware, commercial hardware, and faucets with a portfolio of renowned brands, including Kwikset®, Weiser®, Baldwin®, National Hardware®, Stanley®, FANAL®, Pfister™, EZSET®, and Tell Manufacturing. HHI is a leader in its key markets with #1 positions in U.S. residential locksets, Canada residential locksets, U.S. luxury locksets and U.S. builders' hardware. It is also #2 in Mexico residential hardware and #3 in U.S. retail plumbing.

About Spectrum Brands Holdings, Inc.

Spectrum Brands Holdings, a member of the Russell 1000 Index, is a global consumer products company offering an expanding portfolio of leading brands providing superior value to consumers and customers every day. The Company is a leading supplier of consumer batteries, residential locksets, residential builders' hardware, plumbing, shaving and grooming products, personal care products, small household appliances, specialty pet supplies, lawn and garden and home pest control products, personal insect repellents, and auto care products. Helping to meet the needs of consumers worldwide, our Company offers a broad portfolio of market-leading, well-known and widely trusted brands including Rayovac®, VARTA®, Kwikset®, Weiser®, Baldwin®, National Hardware®, Pfister®, Remington®, George Foreman®, Russell Hobbs®, Black+Decker®, Tetra®, Marineland®, Nature's Miracle®, Dingo®, 8-in-1®, FURminator®, IAMS®, Eukanuba®, Digest-eeze(tm), Healthy-Hide®, Littermaid®, Spectracide®, Cutter®, Repel®, Hot Shot®, Black Flag®, Liquid Fence®, Armor All®, STP® and A/C PRO®. Spectrum Brands' products are sold by the world's top 25 retailers and are available in more than one million stores in approximately 160 countries. Based in Middleton, Wisconsin, Spectrum Brands Holdings generated net sales of approximately \$5.04 billion in fiscal 2016. For more information, visit www.spectrumbrands.com.

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