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GHX INDUSTRIAL CONTINUES EXPANSION ADDS SUBSEA/OFFSHORE SUPPLIER HOSE & FITTINGS, INC.

HOUSTON (January 2, 2015) – Houston-based GHX Industrial, LLC (ghxinc.com), a subsidiary of The United Distribution Group (udginc.com), reported today that it has acquired the operations and assets of Houston, Texas based Hose & Fittings, Inc. (hosefittingsinc.com)

Hose & Fittings, Inc., an ISO 9001: 2008 certified company, is a value-added fabricating distributor and key supplier to oilfield companies and OEMs with worldwide offshore and subsea operations whose primary market is offshore drilling and production. HFI's office, warehouse and fabrication facility is located in a 52,000 square foot complex on McCarty Street in Houston, TX.

Founded in 1983 by Tom Chapman, HFI is known for its top-quality products and customer service from knowledgeable and long-tenured employees. Additionally, HFI offers 24-hour emergency service, local field service, offshore service and support and hose inspection and testing.

According to Richard Harrison, President of GHX Industrial, HFI will operate under the GHX name and will now be in position to offer a greater depth of products and services to existing and new customers. Current and expanded product offerings include notable brands such as Eaton, Spir Star, Parker Hannifin and Dixon Valve & Coupling.

Andrew Martin, President of HFI has been named Region Manager for GHX in the newly acquired location. Mr. Martin stated that GHX has obviously been very successful at building a strong reputation and customer base; the HFI team is looking forward to being a part of the GHX organization and the UDG family of companies.

"Opening new locations to support continued customer growth remains a key strategy for our company and the acquisition of Hose & Fittings, Inc. helps us fill in key components in our upstream market by offering our services to subsea and offshore customers" said Darrell Cole, President & CEO of The United Distribution Group.

About GHX Industrial, LLC

Headquartered in Houston, TX, GHX provides fluid sealing (gaskets), fluid transfer (hoses) and other products to a variety of industries including refining and petrochemical, upstream oil and gas, power generation, mining, agriculture and marine enterprises. GHX operates 59 locations throughout the United States and Canada.

About The United Distribution Group

With 84 locations throughout North America, the subsidiaries of The United Distribution Group are leading providers of products and services to a variety of industries including oil and gas, mining, power generation, petrochemical, agriculture, marine and various other energy related industries.

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