THE HOME DEPOT EXCEEDS 2015 CARBON AND ENERGY REDUCTION GOALS

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Company Reports 2015 Sustainability Results and Additional Commitments

ATLANTA, GA -- (Marketwired) -- 12/21/15 -- The Home Depot® (NYSE: HD), the world's largest home improvement retailer, has released its 2015 Sustainability Report outlining progress on its 2015 goals and outlining renewed goals.

The company reported that it reduced its supply chain carbon emissions by 35 percent over 2008 levels, significantly surpassing a goal of a 20 percent reduction it originally set in 2010 -- the equivalent to removing 200 million miles of transported product from highways.

The Home Depot also reported that its stores have reduced energy use by 30 percent over 2004 levels -- a savings of more than 8 billion kilowatts over 10 years. The original goal set in 2010 was to reduce energy use by 20 percent.

The company announced two new commitments to be reached by 2020, including:

- A reduction of total energy use by an additional 20 percent below 2010 consumption levels

- Procure 135 MW of electricity from a combination of onsite fuel cell and solar installs as well as offsite solar and wind developments

Notable Home Depot recognitions during 2015 include:

- Rated by the CDP as an S&P Climate Disclosure Leader on its annual CDL Index with a score of 99 out of 100

- Awarded SmartWay® Transport Excellence Award, Energy Star® Partner of the Year - Sustained Excellence, and WaterSense® Sustained Excellence Award

The company applies Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) G4 Guidelines, which are included in the 2015 Sustainability Report, as a cross-reference tool for its sustainability reporting to make meaningful data available to stakeholders.

The Home Depot's 2015 Sustainability Report is located online at https://corporate.homedepot.com/CorporateResponsibility/Environment/Pages/default.aspx

More information about The Home Depot's renewable energy efforts is available online at http://builtfromscratch.homedepot.com/renewable-sustainable-energy-fuel-cell-solar-wind/

About The Home Depot

The Home Depot is the world's largest home improvement specialty retailer, with 2,274 retail stores in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, 10 Canadian provinces and Mexico. In fiscal 2014, The Home Depot had sales of $83.2 billion and earnings of $6.3 billion. The Company employs more than 370,000 associates. The Home Depot's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE: HD) and is included in the Dow Jones industrial average and Standard & Poor's 500 index.

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