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BlackHawk® Acquires Wildfire Warrior™

NORFOLK, VA (August 23, 2005) Mike Noell, CEO and President of BlackHawk Products Group™, announced the acquisition of Wildfire Warrior, the manufacturer of Wildland fire fighting tools for Hot Shot crews and Smokejumpers in our nation's forest and park systems. "Every year our national parks and other wildland areas are subjected to wild fires. The teams of brave men and women that go into harm's way to combat these fires deserve the best tools to contain and put out these devastating blazes. The best Wildland fire fighting tools, hands down, are manufactured right here in the US by Wildfire Warrior," Noell commented.

"As part of BlackHawk's strategy to acquire best-in-class companies, Wildfire Warrior represented an opportunity to make headway into a market that BlackHawk has not yet penetrated," Noell explained. "The people who form the front line in the battle against wildfires have the same commitment, dedication and serve our country just as honorably as the men and women in uniform, be it military or law enforcement; it is that spirit that created and invigorates BlackHawk to this day."

"Wildfire Warrior products are highly researched, not only from the standpoint of the engineer but from the viewpoint of the firefighter," Marty Wozniak, founder of Wildfire Warrior stated. "We are constantly collecting data from field evaluations, looking at new materials and paying attention to the evolving methods and trends in battling wildfire blazes. The wildfire firefighter faces greater danger and more obstacles today than ever before, what with water issues, uncleared forest floor growth, not to mention encroaching suburbia. In 2002, 23 firefighters lost their lives. Wildfire Warrior manufactures fire fighting tools that provide the much needed edge in combating wild fires successfully."

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“Marty will manage the brand for BlackHawk,” Noell explained, “and focus on expanding the line of wildfire products. Wildfire Warrior, as well as the operators in the field, will benefit from all that BlackHawk has to offer, from global materials sourcing, a team of highly experience engineers and designers, and an in-house marketing team. With this foundation, using the talented sales team at BlackHawk, Wildfire Warrior products will be taken directly to the end user.”

Wildfire Warrior products are made in America. The product line consists of a McLeod Rake, Fire Swatter, Fire Rake, Regular Pulaski and Super Pulaski, all mounted on fiberglass handles. The fiberglass handle mounting system is at the core of our new tool product development approach. Wildfire Warrior utilizes fiberglass handles because they far exceed the competition’s wood handles in heat resistance, as well as resistance to most volatile chemicals. To find out more about Wildfire Warrior and their products, call 800-694-5263, or log on to www.wildfirewarrior.com.

About BlackHawk:

BlackHawk, founded in 1993 by President and CEO Mike Noell, is recognized as the world leader in supplying tactical equipment to the military and law enforcement markets. Mike was trained as a US Navy SEAL and incorporated that experience and discipline in building a company dedicated to designing equipment for the preservation of life under the worst extremes.

BlackHawk Products Group was formed in 2003 to accelerate the pace of introducing new best-in-class products to the performance oriented tactical market through intensive internal R&D initiatives and selective acquisitions. BPG™ acquired MOD™ tactical knives in December of 2003. Delta Design Group was acquired in January of 2004 to strengthen and direct the BPG R&D effort resulting in the launch of the CQC™ holster line also in January 2004. Jungst Scientific, acquired in March of 2004, further expands on these capabilities. In May of 2004, BPG acquired the Polar hydration technology and the all-new HydraStorm® line was launched in January of 2005. October of 2004 saw the launch of the new technology in illumination tools called the Gladius™ from BPG’s new company Night-Ops™. The SERPA™ technology was expanded in January 2005 to

include a new line of Tactical SERPA holsters. May of 2005 saw BPG acquire both Dynamic Entry® and All Season's Apparel. BlackHawk Products Group will make future announcements about other recent acquisitions and strategic alliances to coincide with their formal product launches.

BlackHawk is headquartered in Norfolk, Virginia U.S.A. For more information on BlackHawk and BlackHawk products, log on to www.blackhawk.com or call 800-694-5263.

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