

THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION

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The Middleby Corporation Schedules Fourth Quarter Earnings Release and Conference Call

Elgin, Ill. (BUSINESS WIRE)—February 25, 2011—The Middleby Corporation (NASDAQ: MIDD) today announced it will release 2010 fourth quarter earnings on Tuesday, March 1 after the market closes. The company has scheduled a conference call to discuss the results at 10 a.m. Central Time on Wednesday, March 2. The call can be accessed by dialing (866) 551-3680 and entering conference code 8511283#. The conference call is also accessible through the Investor Relations section of the company website at www.middleby.com.

About The Middleby Corporation

The Middleby Corporation is a global leader in the foodservice equipment industry. The company develops, manufactures, markets and services a broad line of equipment used for commercial food cooking, preparation and processing. The company's leading equipment brands serving the commercial foodservice industry include Anets®, Blodgett®, Blodgett Combi®, Bloomfield®, Carter Hoffmann®, CookTek®, CTX®, Doyon®, FriFri®, Giga®, Holman®, Houno®, Jade®, Lang®, MagiKitch'n®, Middleby Marshall®, Nu-Vu®, PerfectFry®, Pitco Frialator®, Southbend®, Star®, Toastmaster® Turbochef® and Wells®. The company's leading equipment brands serving the food processing industry include Alkar®, Cozzini®, MP Equipment®, and RapidPak®. The Middleby Corporation has been recognized by Forbes Magazine as one of the Best Small Companies in 2008, 2009 and 2010.

For further information about Middleby, visit www.middleby.com.

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