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The Middleby Corporation Named to Fortune Magazine's 2014 Fastest-Growing Companies List

November 14, 2014 (Elgin, IL) - The Middleby Corporation has been named to the annual Fortune Magazine Fastest-Growing Companies list for 2014. Middleby ranked No. 71 overall and was the third-best performing industrial company on the list.

"We are proud our achievements and pleased to be once again included in this prestigious listing," said Selim Bassoul, Chairman and CEO of The Middleby Corporation. "We are able post solid financial numbers year after year due to the hard work and dedication of all of our employees around the world, and we have a great company where we all strive to deliver the best products and services to our customers. This ranking is a validation of a collective effort and synergy of all of our companies and employees worldwide."

Middleby first appeared on the Fortune list in 2004 and repeated the honor the next year, and also appeared on the Forbes Best Small Companies list from 2004-2012.

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 in the commercial foodservice, food processing, and residential kitchen equipment industries. The company's leading equipment brands serving the commercial foodservice industry include Anets®, Beech®, Blodgett®, Blodgett Combi®, Blodgett Range®, Bloomfield®, Britannia®, Carter-Hoffmann®, Celfrost®, Concordia®, CookTek®, CTX®, Doyon®, frifri®, Giga®, Holman®, Houno®, IMC®, Jade®, Lang®, Lincat®, MagiKitch'n®, Market Forge®, Middleby Marshall®, MPC®, Nieco®, Nu-Vu®, PerfectFry®, Pitco Frialator®, Southbend®, Star®, Toastmaster®, TurboChef®, Viking®, Wells® and Wunder-Bar®. The company's leading equipment brands serving the food processing industry include Alkar®, Armor Inox®, Auto-Bake®, Baker Thermal Solutions®, Cozzini®, Danfotech®, Drake®, Maurer-Atmos®, MP Equipment®, Processing Equipment Solutions®, RapidPak®, Spooner Vicars® and Stewart Systems®. The company's leading equipment brands serving the residential kitchen industry include Brigade®, Jade®, TurboChef®, U-Line® and Viking®. For more information about The Middleby Corporation and the company brands, please visit www.middleby.com.

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