

## **Douglas Dunn Joins Middleby Worldwide as Vice President and General Manager**

Elgin, Ill. (July 14, 2008)—Douglas Dunn has joined Middleby Worldwide as Vice President, Sales & Marketing and General Manager of sales for the Middle East, India and Australia/New Zealand markets. Middleby Worldwide is a division of The Middleby Corporation (NASDAQ: MIDD).

“We are thrilled with the addition of Douglas Dunn to our Middleby Worldwide team,” said Lyall Newby, President of Middleby Worldwide. “As sales continue to be strong in the overseas market, the experience Douglas brings to our organization will help us solidify our position in the emerging markets of India, Australia/New Zealand and the Middle East.”

Mr. Dunn brings more than 26 years of experience in global food service equipment marketing to his new position. Before joining Middleby Worldwide, Mr. Dunn was a vice president with New York-based H.D.Sheldon, a leading exporter of food service equipment.

“We continue to invest heavily in our international infrastructure,” said Selim A. Bassoul, Chairman and Chief Executive of the Middleby Corporation. “With the recent acquisitions of Giga and FriFri in Europe, the hiring of Douglas Dunn strengthens our human capital in our Middleby Worldwide Division, as an increasing number of Middleby employees live and work outside of the U.S.”

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 Blodgett®, Blodgett Combi®, Blodgett Range®, Bloomfield®, Carter Hoffmann®, CTX®, Giga®, frifri®, Holman®, Houno®, Jade®, Lang®, MagiKitch'n®, Middleby Marshall®, Nu-Vu®, Pitco Frialator®, Southbend®, Star®, Toastmaster® and Wells®. The company's leading equipment brands serving the food processing industry include Alkar®, MP Equipment®, and RapidPak®. The Middleby Corporation was recognized by Business Week as one of the Top 100 Hot Growth Companies of 2007 and 2008 and by Forbes as one of the Best Small Companies in 2007. For more information about The Middleby Corporation and the company brands, please visit [www.middleby.com](http://www.middleby.com).

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