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**HD SUPPLY APPOINTS MARGARET (MEG) NEWMAN SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT
OF HUMAN RESOURCES**

ATLANTA, GA. – (June 24, 2008) – HD Supply, a leading wholesale distribution company, providing a broad range of products and services to professional customers in the infrastructure & energy, maintenance, repair & improvement and specialty construction markets, today announced that Margaret (Meg) Newman, vice president of human resources, has been named senior vice president of human resources for HD Supply.

In this role, Newman is responsible for the development and implementation of Human Resource strategies and programs that enable core business objectives, including employee relations, staffing and development, compensation, diversity management, talent assessment and process excellence.

“HD Supply’s human resources function is in excellent hands with Meg,” said Joe DeAngelo, CEO of HD Supply. “She has been a critical part of creating value for our associates, who are our most valuable asset, and is a proven, successful leader. Under Meg’s leadership, we have secured some of the finest, most diverse talent available for our businesses and enterprise functions. I’m confident she will continue the positive momentum of HR initiatives throughout our businesses.”

Newman joined HD Supply in April 2007, and helped lead the company through the divestiture from The Home Depot, creating a new benefits platform and annual enrollment process, leading a cross-functional team through the completion of a Human Resources Systems conversion and reorganizing the HR team to better align with the new functional structure as an independent company.

Newman has more than 18 years of human resources experience in the areas of organizational effectiveness, acquisition and integration, benefits design, talent acquisition and management, leadership development and employee engagement.

Prior to joining HD Supply, Newman held senior HR leadership roles at Consec Insurance Group and Sears Roebuck and Co.

Newman holds an M.A. from the University of Wisconsin and a B.A. from Coe College.

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About HD Supply

HD Supply (www.hdsupply.com) is a leading wholesale distribution company, providing a broad range of products and services to professional customers in the infrastructure & energy, maintenance, repair & improvement and specialty construction markets. With a diverse portfolio of market-leading businesses, HD Supply is one of the largest diversified wholesale distributors in North America, with approximately 900 locations.

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