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HARDWARE**
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**BLACK & DECKER HARDWARE AND HOME IMPROVEMENT GROUP TO
LAUNCH K2—COMMERCIAL SECURITY SOLUTIONS**

--Coordinating Collection Simplifies [Multiple Family Unit] Hardware Needs--

Lake Forest, Calif. (May 30, 2007) – Black & Decker Hardware and Home Improvement Group announced today the launch of K2 Commercial Hardware, a collection of stylish industrial door hardware solutions that includes cylindrical and tubular levers, deadbolts, door closers and exit devices. K2 commercial products will be available for purchase nationwide in early July 2007.

Fusing superior durability and innovation, K2 products create simple, cost-effective solutions for commercial property access and security. K2 levers, deadbolts, door closers and exit devices are available in coordinating styles and an array of finishes and functions that provide the commercial market a total mechanical operating solution. K2 is also the only commercial hardware line that offers a complete solution with its unique K2 Suite Concept. The simplistic yet attractive chamfer design of the K2 product illustrates its superior quality as well as its style niche in the commercial hardware market.

“Black & Decker Hardware and Home Improvement Group launched K2 to simplify the commercial hardware purchasing process and to deliver target audiences a line of premium products,” said Cheryl Kramp, assistant marketing manager for K2.

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“Expanding on the quality and reliability associated with the Black & Decker brand, K2 allows us to not only venture into new sales channels, further broadening our expertise, it also helps us to better supply our audience with the superior products they’ve come to expect from Black & Decker.”

To further simplify the hardware purchasing experience, K2 products will be housed in packaging designed with the commercial customer in mind. Features include compartmentalized boxes that allow for quick and easy installation, and clearly labeled product components that increase quality control and piece visibility.

Each K2 product includes a lifetime mechanical warranty as well as a three-year finish warranty and can be purchased through a local K2 distributor. Further information regarding wholesale distribution can be found on the company’s website, www.K2commercialhardware.com. The newly designed site will launch in late June and includes interactive installation instructions and online training, web-based project management, a product compatibility search option, and complete customer service center.

It also offers bid submissions, project specs, and customer login features to personalize the site’s content for each user’s individual needs and interests.

Black & Decker is a leading global manufacturer and marketer of power tools and accessories, hardware and home improvement products, and technology- based fastening systems.

Black & Decker Hardware and Home Improvement (BDHHI) Group is a division of Black & Decker, the world’s largest producer of power tools, power tool accessories and security hardware. Today, the BDDHI Group includes some of the most recognizable hardware and home improvement brands in the world including Kwikset®, Weiser Lock®, Baldwin®, Price Pfister™ and Bach®.