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PPG and The Home Depot Expand Partnership with Launch of OLYMPIC Stain Products

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America's most trusted stain brand unites with America's largest retailer of exterior stains

PITTSBURGH--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- PPG (NYSE:PPG) and THE HOME DEPOT® (NYSE:HD) today announced an expanded partnership to offer PPG's OLYMPIC® brand stains in its nearly 2,000 locations across the U.S. This exciting partnership combines the innovative woodcare performance of *Olympic* stains with the largest retailer of exterior stains, providing great selection and value to The Home Depot customers. Consumer-trusted stain products, including *Olympic* MAXIMUM®, *Olympic* ELITE™ and *Olympic* WATERGUARD® will become available at most of these Home Depot locations by the end of the second quarter 2018.

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PPG's latest innovation, Olympic SmartGuard will soon be available at select U.S. Home Depot stores in time for the spring season. A first-of-its-kind product in North America, Olympic SmartGuard aims to take the hassle out of weekend projects with a super-concentrated formula in a lightweight, easy-to-handle pouch package. (Photo: Business Wire)

In addition, PPG's latest innovation, *Olympic* SmartGuard will soon be available at select U.S. Home Depot stores in time for the spring season. A first-of-its-kind product in North America, *Olympic* SmartGuard aims to take the hassle out of weekend projects with a super-concentrated formula in a lightweight, easy-to-handle pouch package. Drying in as little as one hour after application, as compared to 24-48 hours for traditional products, it provides a durable, super water-resistant seal. Unlike traditional stain products, there is no brushing required – easy spray-on application allows homeowners to spend less time applying and more time enjoying their outdoor living space.

"We're extremely pleased to expand the breadth of our product line with *Olympic* stains by PPG to give our customers even more selection, innovation and value," said Jose Barra, The Home Depot senior vice president – Merchandising, Décor.

"*Olympic* has been America's most trusted stain brand since 1938 and is rated among the top stains by a leading independent consumer rankings magazine," said Dave Cole, PPG vice president, architectural coatings, U.S. and Canada. "We are pleased to grow our partnership with The Home Depot and offer their customers an array of high-quality, well-respected products."

In addition to *Olympic* SmartGuard, the *Olympic* product line that will be available at The Home Depot includes:

- *Olympic* Maximum Stain + Sealant in One with WEATHER-READY® application** that enables homeowners to stain when they want to, even if the weather isn't perfect. The product is rain-ready 8-12 hours after application, 12-16 hours faster than typical stain products, so homeowners no longer have to be concerned their completed project will be harmed by unpredictable weather. In addition to its rain-ready features, *Olympic* Maximum stain's unique formula offers a wide range of application temperatures, from 35 F to 90 F, and can also be applied to damp wood*.
- *Olympic* ELITE Advanced Stain + Sealant in One: a super-premium exterior stain line offering a palette of wood- and nature-inspired hues. Developed for durability and incorporating *Olympic* Stains' highest levels of protection against the damaging effects of sunlight, water, mildew and algae on the coating, *Olympic* ELITE is for the homeowner who appreciates the beauty of wood and is willing to invest a bit more to enhance and protect with beautiful and more durable color.
- *Olympic* WaterGuard: penetrating, advanced multi-surface sealant that protects against water damage and creates a mildew-resistant coating. The clear multi-surface waterproofer is formulated to be applied on a variety of substrates, including concrete, brick, stucco and wood. *Olympic* WaterGuard is available in a clear wood sealer, and in a selection of ready-mix colors in transparent and semi-transparent opacities.

The addition of *Olympic* stain products expands the PPG product lineup at The Home Depot stores including PPG premium paints, GLIDDEN® paints and LIQUID NAILS® adhesives.

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At PPG (NYSE:PPG), we work every day to develop and deliver the paints, coatings and materials that our customers have trusted for more than 130 years. Through dedication and creativity, we solve our customers' biggest challenges, collaborating closely to find the right path forward. With headquarters in Pittsburgh, we operate and innovate in more than 70 countries and reported net sales of \$14.8 billion in 2017. We serve customers in construction, consumer products, industrial and transportation markets and aftermarkets. To learn more, visit www.ppg.com.

About The Home Depot

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* Stain may be applied to a damp, not WET surface. Make sure there are no puddles.

** Features may vary by product. Please read the product label for details.

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