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**GHX INDUSTRIAL CONTINUES NORTH AMERICAN EXPANSION
WITH ACQUISITION OF HOSE SPECIALTY & SUPPLY CO.**

HOUSTON (June 3, 2014) – Houston-based GHX Industrial, LLC (ghxinc.com), a subsidiary of The United Distribution Group (udginc.com) reported today that it has acquired the operations and assets of Harvey, LA based Hose Specialty & Supply Co., LLC.

Hose Specialty & Supply is a value-added fabricating distributor and assembler of fluid transfer and other products for oil and gas, marine, and original equipment manufacturers with a strong presence in Louisiana and the Gulf of Mexico. Founded in 1980, Hose Specialty offers a broad range of hydraulic and pneumatic fluid conveyance products, valves, and accessories from top manufacturing partners. Additional services provided by Hose Specialty include custom assembly and sub-assembly, kitting solutions, and vendor-managed inventory. Hose Specialty backs up its offerings with top-quality customer service from knowledgeable and long-tenured employees. Additionally, Hose Specialty offers 24-hour emergency services to all customers.

The acquired operations include New Iberia LA, Lafayette LA, Shreveport LA, and two operations in Harvey LA including Melville Equipment Co., a hose and fitting specialty store that focuses on the sale of hose and fittings to a broad group of industrial customers in and around the New Orleans area.

According to Richard Harrison, President of GHX Industrial, Hose Specialty & Supply will operate under the GHX family of companies and will continue servicing existing and new customers with its current and an expanded product offering. Jimmy Strickland, the founder of Hose Specialty has been named Region Manager for GHX in the newly acquired locations.

Mr. Strickland, who will work closely with Mr. Harrison, stated that he and the entire Hose Specialty team are extremely excited to now be associated with GHX and The United Distribution Group family of companies.

“Expanding our service area throughout the US and Canada is an ongoing strategic focus for our company and the acquisition of Hose Specialty compliments our already strong North American presence” said Darrell Cole, President & CEO of The United Distribution Group.

About GHX Industrial, LLC

Headquartered in Houston, TX, GHX provides fluid sealing (gaskets), fluid transfer (hoses) and other products to a variety of industries including refining and petrochemical, upstream oil and gas, power generation, mining, agriculture and marine enterprises. GHX operates 54 locations throughout the United States and Canada.

About The United Distribution Group

With 79 locations throughout North America, the subsidiaries of The United Distribution Group are leading providers of products and services to a variety of industries including oil and gas, mining, power generation, petrochemical, agriculture, marine and various other energy related industries.

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