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## Hill & Smith Holdings PLC

### Directorate Changes

Hill & Smith Holdings PLC (“Hill & Smith” or “the Company”), the international group with leading positions in the supply of infrastructure products, galvanizing services and building and construction products to global markets, today announces the appointment of Jock Lennox as a Non-Executive Director.

Jock recently retired as a Partner of Ernst & Young where he began his career in 1977 and became a Partner in 1988. During his time with Ernst & Young he advised global clients on financing, transactions and international expansion. Jock’s experience spans a range of industries including the industrial products sectors, most notably as Head of Ernst & Young’s UK & Global Industrial Products Sector boards. He is also a member of the Advisory Board of Alchemy, a member of the Council of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland, a Director of Golden Lane Housing Ltd and was recently appointed to the Board of Oxford Instruments plc as a Non-Executive Director.

David Grove, Chairman, said: “We are delighted to welcome Jock to the Board of Hill & Smith. His extensive experience in the audit and corporate advisory field, knowledge of the industrial products sectors and understanding of international markets will be a great asset as the Company continues to grow.”

There are no further matters required to be disclosed by paragraph 9.6.13 of The Listing Rules.

Hill & Smith also announces that Dick Richardson, Non-Executive Director, is to retire from the Board.

David Grove commented: “I would like to thank Dick for his valued contribution and for the support he has given to the Board over the last twelve years. We wish him well for the future.”

Both Board changes will take effect from 12 May 2009, immediately after the conclusion of the Company’s Annual General Meeting.

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## **Notes to Editors**

Hill & Smith Holdings PLC is an international group with leading positions in the design, manufacture and supply of infrastructure products and galvanizing services to global markets. It serves its customers from facilities principally in the UK, France, USA, Thailand and China.

The Group's operations are organised into three business segments:

Infrastructure Products which supplies products and services such as permanent and temporary road safety barriers, street lighting columns, bridge parapets, temporary car parks, "GRP" railway platforms, variable road messaging solutions, traffic data collection systems, plastic drainage pipes and pipe supports for the power and LNG markets, energy grid components and security fencing.

Galvanizing Services which provides zinc and other coatings for a wide range of products including fencing, lighting columns, structural steel work, bridges, agricultural and other products for the infrastructure and construction sectors.

Building and Construction Products which supplies roofing systems, safety handrails and flooring, lintels and doors in steel and, increasingly, composite materials. The range of uses for these products include large infrastructure projects involving schools and other public buildings.

Headquartered in the UK and quoted on the London Stock Exchange (LSE: HILS.L), Hill & Smith Holdings PLC employs some 3,400 staff across 54 sites, principally in 5 countries. In the year to 31 December 2008, it generated revenues of £419.8 million.