

# Press Release

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## TAYLOR APPOINTED CONTROLLER FOR HYSON PRODUCTS

Brecksville, OH—Regis J. Minerd, Business Unit Manager of Hyson Products, recently announced the appointment of Barry M. Taylor as Division Controller. Hyson Products is a division of Associated Spring, a business unit of Barnes Group Inc.

(NYSE:B)

In the position of Division Controller, Mr. Taylor is responsible for all financial activities of the business unit's U.S. operations, including identifying and implementing ways to increase profitability, and maximizing operating efficiencies.

Mr. Taylor has almost 30 years of industry experience, most recently as Division Controller for Raymond Distribution, a division of Barnes Distribution, in Maumee, Ohio. He also held various administrative and financial positions with Owens Corning, headquartered in Toledo, Ohio.

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Mr. Taylor holds B.S. and B.A. degrees as well as an MBA in Finance from Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio. He is a Certified Management Accountant (CMA) and is active with the Institute of Management Accountants.

Hyson Products designs and manufactures Super Tanker® high performance gas springs, and T2 and T3 standard gas springs; Nitro-Dyne® XP manifold systems and accessories; the Dyne-A-Cam® Series of cams, and the DRAC® Series of delayed return manifolds in an ISO 9001-2000 certified facility.

Barnes Group Inc. ([www.barnesgroupinc.com](http://www.barnesgroupinc.com)) is a diversified international manufacturer of precision components and assemblies and a distributor of industrial supplies, serving a wide range of markets and customers. Founded in 1857 and headquartered in Bristol, Connecticut, Barnes Group consists of three businesses with 2004 sales of \$994.7 million: Associated Spring, one of the world's largest manufacturers of precision mechanical and nitrogen gas springs and a global supplier of retaining rings, reed valves, shock discs, and injection-molded components; Barnes Aerospace, a manufacturer and repairer of highly engineered assemblies and components for commercial and military aircraft engines, airframes, and land-based industrial

gas turbines; and Barnes Distribution, an international, full-service distributor of maintenance, repair and operating supplies. Over 6,000 dedicated employees at more than 60 locations worldwide contribute to Barnes Group Inc.'s success.

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