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**MERCER INTERNATIONAL INC. TO PRESENT AT
UPCOMING JEFFERIES CONFERENCE**

NEW YORK, NY, July 12, 2010 -- Mercer International Inc. (Nasdaq: MERC, TSX: MRI.U) today announced that Chairman and CEO Jimmy S.H. Lee and Executive Vice President and CFO David Gandossi will be presenting at the following conference:

Jefferies 6th Annual Global Industrial and A&D Conference
August 10–12, 2010
Presentation at 3:45 PM, August 10
Mandarin Oriental Hotel
New York City

The Jefferies presentation will be webcast live and will also be available for later replay on the Company's web site at <http://mercerint.com> and at <http://www.wsw.com/webcast/jeff49/merc/>.

A copy of the presentation will also be posted in the "Investors" section on the Company's web site on the morning of the event.

Mercer International Inc. is a global pulp manufacturing company. To obtain further information on the company, please visit its web site at <http://www.mercerint.com>.

The preceding includes forward looking statements which involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties which may cause our actual results in future periods to differ materially from forecasted results. Among those factors which could cause actual results to differ materially are the following: the continuing effects of the recent economic and financial turmoil, the highly cyclical nature of our business, raw material costs, our level of indebtedness, competition, foreign exchange and interest rate fluctuations, our use of derivatives, expenditures for capital projects, environmental regulation and compliance, disruptions to our production, market conditions and other risk factors listed from time to time in our SEC reports.

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