



## **dj Orthopedics' Vista Facility Named as One of IndustryWeek's Ten Best Manufacturing Plants in North America**

SAN DIEGO--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Sept. 26, 2005--dj Orthopedics, Inc., (NYSE:DJO), a global medical device company specializing in rehabilitation and regeneration products for the non-operative orthopedic and spine markets, today announced that the Company's manufacturing facility in Vista, California has been named as one of IndustryWeek's Top-10 winners in the 2005 "Best Plants" competition for North America, which is IndustryWeek's annual salute to outstanding manufacturing facilities. Last year, the Vista plant earned a Top-25 finalist position. In 2004, dj Orthopedics' manufacturing facility in Mexico was named as one of IndustryWeek's Top-10 winners. As Top-10 winners, both of the Company's manufacturing facilities are not eligible for future competitions for a period of six years. The Best Plants competition was established in 1990.

"We are extremely pleased to be recognized as one of the Top-10 Best Plants again this year demonstrating our commitment to continuous improvement," said Les Cross, president and CEO of dj Orthopedics. "Continuous improvement is engrained in our culture and is an important element of our success. Throughout the Company, we relentlessly look for opportunities to eliminate non-value added elements from our business to reduce lead times and costs associated with developing new products, supporting our customers and running efficient, lean manufacturing operations."

### IndustryWeek Awards Presentation

dj Orthopedics will celebrate the IndustryWeek award on Friday, October 14, 2005. IndustryWeek's Jill Jusko, Senior Editor and Coordinator of IndustryWeek's Best Plants Competition, will be in Vista, California for an awards presentation to the Company beginning at time 10:00 AM local time. Members of the media are invited to attend the celebration.

### About dj Orthopedics, Inc.

dj Orthopedics is a global medical device company specializing in rehabilitation and regeneration products for the non-operative orthopedic and spine markets. Marketed under the DonJoy and ProCare brands, the Company's broad range of over 600 rehabilitation products, including rigid knee braces, soft goods, pain management, are used in the prevention of injury, in the treatment of chronic conditions and for recovery after surgery or injury. The Company's regeneration products consist of bone growth stimulation devices that are used to treat nonunion fractures and as an adjunct therapy after spinal fusion surgery. Together, these products provide solutions throughout the patient's continuum of care. The Company sells its products in the United States and in more than 40 other countries through networks of agents, distributors and its direct sales force. Customers include orthopedic, podiatric and spine surgeons, orthotic and prosthetic centers, third-party distributors, hospitals, surgery centers, physical therapists, athletic trainers and other healthcare professionals. For additional information on the Company, please visit [www.djortho.com](http://www.djortho.com).

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