

DANAHER CORPORATION CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMMENTS ON OUTLOOK FOR 2001

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Danaher Corporation announced today that its President and Chief Executive Officer, H. Lawrence Culp, Jr., expressed comfort with security analysts' consensus earnings per share estimates of \$2.54 for 2001. Mr. Culp's comments were made today at an investor conference sponsored by the Electrical Products Group in Florida.

Mr. Culp stated, "While the US economic weakness continues and early indications of European weakness are now visible, we believe our preemptive cost initiatives, coupled with ongoing planned reductions, will allow us to outperform our peer companies in 2001. We are comfortable with analyst earnings per share estimates for 2001, based on the current economic climate, recognizing that the health of the global industrial markets for the balance of the year is difficult to predict."

Danaher Corporation is a leading manufacturer of Process/Environmental Controls and Tools and Components. (<http://www.danaher.com/>)

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