Danaher Announces Pricing of Senior Notes Offering

Washington, D.C., June 20, 2011 - Danaher Corporation (NYSE:DHR) announced today that it has priced a public offering of:

- \$300 million principal amount of floating rate senior notes due 2013 at an offering price of 100% of the principal amount;
- \$400 million principal amount of 1.300% senior notes due 2014 at an offering price of 99.918% of the principal amount;
- \$500 million principal amount of 2.300% senior notes due 2016 at an offering price of 99.840% of the principal amount; and
- \$600 million principal amount of 3.900% senior notes due 2021 at an offering price of 99.975% of the principal amount.

Danaher expects to receive net proceeds, after expenses and the underwriters' discount, of approximately \$1.79 billion. Danaher anticipates using the net proceeds from the offering to pay a portion of the purchase price of the previously announced acquisition of Beckman Coulter, Inc. and for general corporate purposes if any proceeds remain. The offering is expected to close on June 23, 2011.

Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, BNP Paribas Securities Corp., HSBC Securities (USA) Inc. and Wells Fargo Securities are acting as joint book-running managers for the offering. Banca IMI, Mitsubishi UFJ Securities, Scotia Capital, SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc. and SMBC Nikko are acting as comanagers.

The public offering is being made pursuant to an effective shelf registration statement on file with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

The offering of senior notes may be made only by means of a prospectus and prospectus supplement. A copy of the prospectus and prospectus supplement relating to the securities can be obtained from Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. at 100 Plaza One, Floor 2, Jersey City, NY, 07311-3901, Attn: Prospectus Department, telephone: 1-800-503-4611, email: prospectusrequest@list.db.com; and from Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated at 100 West 33rd Street, New York, NY 10001, telephone: 1-800-294-1322, email: dg.prospectus_request@baml.com.

This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell, or the solicitation of an offer to buy, Danaher's senior notes or any other securities, nor shall there be any sale of securities mentioned in this press release in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

Danaher is a diversified technology leader that designs, manufactures, and markets innovative products and services to professional, medical, industrial, and commercial customers.

Statements in this release that are not strictly historical, including the statements regarding the public offering of the senior notes, the anticipated use of proceeds and the

anticipated acquisition of Beckman Coulter, Inc., and any other statements regarding events or developments that we believe or anticipate will or may occur in the future, may be "forward-looking" statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws. There are a number of important factors that could cause actual events to differ materially from those suggested or indicated by such forward-looking statements and you should not place undue reliance on any such forward-looking statements. Additional information regarding the factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from these forward-looking statements is available in our SEC filings, including our 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K and our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the first quarter of 2011. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this release and Danaher does not assume any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events and developments or otherwise.

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