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H&E Equipment Sets Date for First Quarter 2005 Earnings Conference Call

BATON ROUGE, LA., May 16, 2005 - H&E Equipment Services L.L.C. (H&E), today announced that H&E's management will hold its first quarter earnings conference call on Thursday, May 19, 2005, at 11:00 AM Eastern Time. The conference call number is 1.800.282.9233 and the participant code is 6422. A replay of the call will be available approximately one hour following the call at 1.800.756.3819 and access code 142348.

The Company intends to issue a press release with preliminary first quarter 2005 financial results prior to the earnings call on Thursday, May 19, 2005.

About H&E Equipment Services L.L.C.

H&E Equipment Services L.L.C. is one of the largest integrated equipment rental, service and sales companies in the United States of America, with an integrated network of 39 facilities, all of which have full service capabilities, and a workforce that includes a highly-skilled group of service technicians and separate and distinct rental and equipment sales forces. In addition to renting equipment, the Company also sells new and used equipment and provides extensive parts and service support. This integrated model enables the Company to effectively manage key aspects of its rental fleet through reduced equipment acquisition costs, efficient maintenance and profitable disposition of rental equipment. The Company generates a significant portion of its gross profit from parts sales and service revenues.