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SPX'S REGISTRATION STATEMENT FOR ECHLIN EXCHANGE OFFER
DECLARED EFFECTIVE BY THE SEC

SPX TO BEGIN MAILING EXCHANGE OFFER MATERIALS TOMORROW

MUSKEGON, MICHIGAN, APRIL 29, 1998 -- SPX Corporation (NYSE:SPW) today announced that the registration statement for its previously announced exchange offer to the shareholders of Echlin Inc. (NYSE:ECH) has been declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission. Accordingly, SPX intends to mail its exchange offer materials to Echlin shareholders tomorrow, Thursday, April 30, 1998.

Under the terms of the SPX exchange offer, Echlin shareholders would receive \$12.00 in cash plus 0.4796 SPX share for each share of Echlin stock tendered. The expiration date of the exchange offer will be 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on Thursday, May 28, 1998 and may be extended from time to time by SPX until the various conditions of the exchange offer have been satisfied or waived.

"We are pleased that we have cleared the SEC and are now able to take our exchange offer directly to Echlin shareholders," said John B. Blystone, Chairman, President and CEO of SPX. "Under our offer, Echlin shareholders will receive a substantial cash premium to the pre-offer trading price, will own approximately 70% of a stronger company and will share in the future success of the combined entity under SPX's proven leadership team."

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