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The following is information provided to Trane employees on May 7, 2008.

Frederic M. Poses

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

May 7, 2008

Dear Trane leaders,

Moments ago, we issued a news release announcing that our board has set Thursday, June 5, 2008, as the meeting date for our shareowners to vote on the proposed acquisition by Ingersoll Rand.

We have done a lot of work to obtain the required regulatory approvals for this transaction and just received word that the Securities and Exchange Commission declared Ingersoll Rand's Form S-4 effective. This allows us to set the meeting date, which has to be at least 20 business days from the date we begin mailing the proxy statement and prospectus to our shareowners.

We will now start mailing the proxy statement and prospectus to all eligible Trane shareowners. If our shareowners approve the sale on June 5, all conditions will have been satisfied and we expect to complete the acquisition on June 5 or as soon as administratively practical after that.

You will soon receive more information on what is planned for the first day after closing, expected to be June 6, and on what employees need to know moving forward. In the meantime, please continue to help your team stay focused on our business and the things we need to do to complete the sale and make the future of the new Ingersoll Rand successful.

Thanks,

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This document contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such statements include, but are not limited to, statements relating to anticipated financial and operating results, the companies' plans, objectives, expectations and intentions and other statements including words such as anticipate, believe, plan, estimate, expect, intend, will, should and other similar expressions. Such statements are based upon the current beliefs and expectations of the management of Ingersoll-Rand Company Limited (Ingersoll Rand) and Trane Inc. (Trane) and involve a number of significant risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from the results anticipated in these forward-looking statements. The following factors, among others, could cause or contribute to such material differences: failure to satisfy any of the conditions of closing, including the failure to obtain Trane shareholder approval; the risks that Ingersoll Rand's and Trane's businesses will not be integrated successfully; the risk that Ingersoll Rand and Trane will not realize estimated cost savings and synergies; costs relating to the proposed transaction; disruption from the transaction making it more difficult to maintain relationships with customers, employees, distributors or suppliers; the level of end market activity in Ingersoll Rand's and Trane's commercial and residential market; weather conditions that could negatively or positively affect business and results of operations; additional developments which may occur that could affect Ingersoll Rand's or Trane's estimate of asbestos liabilities and recoveries; unpredictable difficulties or delays in the development of new product technology; fluctuations in pricing of our products, the competitive environment and related market conditions; changes in law or different interpretations of laws that may affect Ingersoll Rand's or Trane's expected effective tax rate; increased regulation and related litigation; access to capital; and actions of domestic and foreign governments. Additional factors that could cause Ingersoll Rand's and Trane's results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements can be found in the 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K of Ingersoll Rand and the 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K of Trane filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) and other documents filed by Ingersoll Rand and Trane, and available at the SEC's Internet site (<http://www.sec.gov>). Neither Ingersoll Rand nor Trane undertakes any obligation to update any forward-looking statements to reflect circumstances or events that occur after the date on which such statements were made.

In connection with the proposed merger transaction involving Ingersoll Rand, Trane and Indian Merger Sub, Inc., Ingersoll Rand has filed a registration statement on Form S-4 containing a proxy statement/prospectus for shareholders of Trane with the SEC, and Ingersoll Rand and Trane may be filing other documents regarding the proposed transaction with the SEC as well. BEFORE MAKING ANY VOTING OR INVESTMENT DECISION, INVESTORS ARE URGED TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS REGARDING THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION, AS WELL AS THE OTHER DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN THE PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS CAREFULLY IN THEIR ENTIRETY WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION. The definitive proxy

statement/prospectus has been mailed to Trane's shareholders. Shareholders may obtain a free copy of the proxy statement/prospectus, as well as other filings containing information about Ingersoll Rand and Trane, without charge, at the SEC's Internet site (<http://www.sec.gov>). Copies of the proxy statement/prospectus and the filings with the SEC that are incorporated by reference in the proxy statement/prospectus can also be obtained, without charge, by directing a request to Ingersoll-Rand Company Limited, P.O. Box 0445, 155 Chestnut Ridge Road, Montvale, NJ 07645 Attention: Investor Relations, (201) 573-0123, or to Trane Inc., One Centennial Avenue, Piscataway, NJ 08855 Attention: Investor Relations, (732) 980-6125.

Ingersoll Rand, Trane and their respective directors and executive officers and other persons may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies in respect of the proposed transaction. Information regarding Ingersoll Rand's directors and executive officers is available in Ingersoll Rand's proxy statement for its 2008 annual meeting of stockholders and Ingersoll Rand's 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K, which were filed with the SEC on April 16, 2008 and February 29, 2008, respectively, and information regarding Trane's directors and executive officers is available in Trane's 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K, which was filed with the SEC on February 20, 2008. Other information regarding the participants in the proxy solicitation and a description of their direct and indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, is contained in the proxy statement/prospectus and other materials referred to in the proxy statement/prospectus.