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**HOYA CORPORATION APPOINTS THOMAS DUNLAP GLOBAL PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF HOYA SURGICAL OPTICS, INC.**

**Global optics leader selects industry veteran to head surgical optics division.**

CHINO HILLS, CALIF, AND TOKYO, JAPAN, May 12, 2009 — Hoya Corporation announced the appointment of Thomas A. Dunlap, MBA, to the position of Global President and Chief Executive Officer, Hoya Surgical Optics, Inc. (HSO).

“Hoya Corporation is extremely pleased to have Tom Dunlap lead the global division for Hoya Surgical Optics,” said Hiroshi Hamada, COO of Hoya Corporation. “Tom brings a wealth of knowledge, insight and experience from the ophthalmic industry. We expect Tom’s leadership to have a major impact in bringing HSO to a global leadership position.”

With more than 30 years experience as a senior executive in the ophthalmic industry, Mr. Dunlap brings a proven track record in global healthcare firms. He has held executive positions at American Hospital Supply Corporation, Allergan, Inc., and Bausch and Lomb, Inc. He most recently was Executive Vice President of Sand Hill Consulting Associates.

Mr. Dunlap has served in positions with the Outpatient Ophthalmic Surgical Society, ASCRS Foundation, and Ocular Surgery News Industry Advisory Council. He has also been published in the Journal of Administrative Ophthalmology. In addition, he was instrumental in the successful lobbying efforts of the Intraocular Lens Coalition, which led to the establishment of New Technology Intraocular Lens (NTIOL) designation for high technology lens implants.

“I am honored and excited to lead a talented and experienced global team at Hoya Surgical Optics,” Mr. Dunlap says. “Hoya Surgical Optics is the only pure optics company in ophthalmology today. Our precision optics and delivery systems are reflective of the company’s long history of optics excellence. And our pipeline of optics technologies, state-of-the-art manufacturing capabilities, and commitment to serving our customers positions us to be the precision optics leader in ophthalmology for decades to come.”

**About Hoya Surgical Optics**

Hoya Surgical Optics is a global company focused on meeting the needs of surgeons and patients worldwide. As the world’s fourth largest IOL manufacturer and distributor, we are deeply committed to advancing ophthalmic surgery by combining surgeons’ clinical and professional knowledge with our optics research and development. Leveraging more than 60 years of excellence in optics design and innovation that has been the benchmark of the Hoya Corporation, Hoya Surgical Optics provides ophthalmologists with the products and services they need to help improve vision and quality of life for their patients.

For more information about Hoya Surgical Optics, visit [www.HoyaSurgOpt.com](http://www.HoyaSurgOpt.com).

**About Hoya Corporation**

Hoya Corporation is a global technology company based in Tokyo, Japan, and the leading supplier of innovative and indispensable high-tech products and services based upon its advanced optics technologies. Hoya is active in four fields of business: The Eye Care provides eyeglasses, operates retail shops for contact lenses, and makes intraocular lenses for cataract surgery. The Life Care provides endoscopic system. Electro-Optics makes mask blanks and photomasks for the semiconductor devices and LCD panels, optical lenses for digital cameras, and glass memory disks for HDDs. The Imaging produces SLR/compact digital cameras, interchangeable lenses, lens modules and microlenses. Hoya now has over 100 subsidiaries and affiliates, and employs approximately 34,600 people worldwide.