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Hardinge Inc. Announces Retirement of John J. Perrotti from Board of Directors

Elmira, NY, November 1, 2016 — The Board of Directors of [Hardinge Inc.](#) (NASDAQ: HDNG), a leading international provider of advanced metal-cutting solutions and accessories, announced that John J. Perrotti, Chairman, has chosen to retire from the Board effective October 28, 2016, given his increasing time commitments and responsibilities for other professional requirements. Mr. Perrotti has served as a director since 2003.

Mr. Richard L. Simons, on behalf of the Board of Directors, stated, "It has been a privilege to have worked with John over many years. Throughout this time, John has been integral to the many significant decisions made by the Board that will continue to drive the future for Hardinge. On behalf of the Board, we extend our sincere gratitude for his service and wish him well."

About Hardinge

Hardinge is a leading global designer and manufacturer of high precision, computer-controlled machine tool solutions developed for critical, hard-to-machine metal parts and of technologically advanced workholding accessories. The Company's strategy is to leverage its global brand strength to further penetrate global market opportunities where customers will benefit from the technologically advanced, high quality, reliable products Hardinge produces. With approximately two-thirds of its sales outside of North America, Hardinge serves the worldwide metal working market. Hardinge's machine tool and accessory solutions can also be found in a broad base of industries to include aerospace, agricultural, automotive, construction, consumer products, defense, energy, medical, technology and transportation.

Hardinge applies its engineering design and manufacturing expertise in high performance machining centers, high-end cylindrical and jig grinding machines, SUPER-PRECISION[®] and precision CNC lathes and technologically advanced workholding accessories. Hardinge has manufacturing operations in China, France, Germany, India, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States.

The Company regularly posts information on its website: www.hardinge.com.

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