

SKECHERS Receives Company of the Year and Design Excellence Awards from Footwear Plus

MANHATTAN BEACH, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- <u>SKECHERS USA, Inc.</u> (NYSE:SKX), today announced that it has been named 2015 Company of the Year and honored with a design excellence award in the Athleisure category from trade publication *Footwear Plus*. This marks the seventh time that SKECHERS has received the top honor for Company of the Year, and its eighth Plus Award for footwear design excellence.

Created by *Footwear Plus* and co-sponsored by the Fashion Footwear Association of New York (FFANY), the 17th Annual Plus Awards were nominated and voted on by thousands of footwear retailers and consumers nationwide in recognition of the industry's most compelling product offerings.

"I am honored <u>SKECHERS</u> has received two Plus Awards that reflect our tremendous success and achievements this past year," said SKECHERS president Michael Greenberg. "We opereate in a highly competitive industry, so being named Company of the Year for consecutive years and seven times overall is a testament to the ongoing strength of our brand along with our ability to deliver footwear that consumers around the world desire most. And with athleisure being one of the hottest trends in the market today, we're thrilled to receive a Plus Award for design excellence in this trend-forward category as well. With many innovative new products in the pipeline, we will continue to build on this momentum in 2016."

"Since SKECHERS won their first Plus Award in 2000, they have demonstrated remarkable growth, tenacity and evolved into an industry leader with a global footprint," added Greg Dutter, Editorial Director of *Footwear Plus*. "Their ability to identify trends in the market and rapidly deliver footwear that consumers love to wear has contributed to SKECHERS' tremendous success this past year. Brands that can effectively evolve in a rapidly changing market will rise to the top, and SKECHERS has demonstrated they understand what it takes to achieve greatness in their industry."

Previous *Footwear Plus* honors for <u>SKECHERS</u> include the Company of the Year Award in 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2010, and 2014, and Plus Awards for Design Excellence in 2000 for Young Women's Fashion; in 2001 for Women's Streetwear; in 2005 and 2006 for Men's Streetwear; in 2002 for Kids' Fashion, and in 2013 for the Running and Children's categories.

SKECHERS offers two distinct footwear categories: a lifestyle division which includes comfort-focused, trend-right product for men, women and kids, and the Skechers Performance Division which offers Skechers GOrun and Skechers GOwalk footwear.

Celebrity brand ambassadors for SKECHERS' collections include boxing champion Sugar Ray Leonard, legendary drummer Ringo Starr, multi-platinum recording artist Demi Lovato, Grammy-nominated singer and songwriter Meghan Trainor, model and actress Kelly Brook,

and TV personality Brooke Burke-Charvet. In addition, elite runners Meb Keflezighi and Kara Goucher as well as pro golfers Matt Kuchar, Colin Montgomerie, Belén Mozo, and Billy Andrade represent the Skechers Performance Division.

About SKECHERS USA, Inc.

SKECHERS USA, Inc., based in Manhattan Beach, California, designs, develops and markets a diverse range of lifestyle footwear for men, women and children, as well as performance footwear for men and women. SKECHERS footwear is available in the United States and over 120 countries and territories worldwide via department and specialty stores, more than 1,200 SKECHERS retail stores, and the Company's e-commerce website. The Company manages its international business through a network of global distributors, joint venture partners in Asia, and 13 wholly-owned subsidiaries in Brazil, Canada, Chile, Japan, Latin America and throughout Europe. For more information, please visit skechers.com and follow us on Facebook (facebook.com/SKECHERS) and Twitter (twitter.com/SKECHERSUSA).

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