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Clorox CEO's Health Improving

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OAKLAND, Calif., March 22, 2006 - The Clorox Company (NYSE: CLX) (PCX: CLX) today announced that Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Gerald E. "Jerry" Johnston's condition is improving following a heart attack on March 1.

"We are extremely pleased to inform you that Jerry's condition is improving," said Robert W. Matschullat, interim chairman and interim chief executive officer. "We continue to send our best wishes and strong support to Jerry and his family."

At this time, the company is not able to provide information about the expected pace of Johnston's recovery or the timing of his return to work. As previously announced, Matschullat will continue to serve as the company's interim chairman and interim chief executive officer.

The Clorox Company

The Clorox Company is a leading manufacturer and marketer of consumer products with fiscal year 2005 revenues of $4.4 billion. Clorox markets some of consumers' most trusted and recognized brand names, including its namesake bleach and cleaning products, Armor All® and STP® auto care products, Fresh Step® and Scoop Away® cat litters, Kingsford® charcoal briquets, Hidden Valley® and K C Masterpiece® dressings and sauces, Brita® water-filtration systems, and Glad® bags, wraps and containers. With 7,600 employees worldwide, the company manufactures products in 25 countries and markets them in more than 100 countries. Clorox is committed to making a positive difference in the communities where its employees work and live. Founded in 1980, The Clorox Company Foundation has awarded cash grants totaling more than $62.3 million to nonprofit organizations, schools and colleges; and in fiscal year 2005 alone made product donations valued at $4.9 million. For more information about Clorox, visit **www.TheCloroxCompany.com**.

Forward-looking statements

Except for historical information, matters discussed above are forward-looking statements based on management's estimates, assumptions and projections. These forward-looking statements are only predictions, subject to risks and uncertainties, and actual results could differ materially from those discussed above. Important factors that could affect performance and cause results to differ materially from management's expectations include risks relating to the company's strategy and business operations, among others, and are described in the sections entitled "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, as updated from time to time in the company's SEC filings.

The company's forward-looking statements in this document are and will be based on then current views and assumptions regarding future events and speak only as of their dates. The company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by the federal securities laws.

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