



Teleflex Appoints Gwen Watanabe Vice President – Business Development and Technical Resources

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LIMERICK, Pa.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jul. 15, 2013-- Teleflex Incorporated (NYSE: TFX) today announced the appointment of Gwen Watanabe as Vice President – Business Development and Technical Resources. Ms. Watanabe, joined Teleflex in 2012 as part of the Company's acquisition of Hotspur Technologies.

"I am pleased to announce that Gwen Watanabe has been promoted to the role of Vice President – Business Development and Technical Resources," said Benson Smith, Chairman, President and CEO. "Gwen is uniquely qualified for this important leadership role at Teleflex. She was a founding leader in four successful medical device start-ups, including: AneuRx; Bacchus Vascular; Nellix Endovascular; and Hotspur Technologies. She has deep relationships with thought leaders and venture capitalists in the medical device space, and, working closely with our business unit leaders, will be responsible for shaping our R&D pipeline, executing on our acquisition strategy, and managing our early stage R&D investments."

Prior to joining Teleflex, Ms. Watanabe served since 2009 as CEO and CFO of Hotspur Technologies. Previously, she was the co-founder, chief business officer (CBO) and CFO of Nellix Endovascular, Inc. Ms. Watanabe has also held leadership positions with Lava Ventures, Saratoga Ventures, Bacchus Vascular, Inc. and AneuRx, Inc. She holds a Master in Business Administration degree from Harvard Business School, a Master of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from Stanford University, and a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

"Since joining Teleflex last year, I've enjoyed working with the team and am excited about the opportunity to expand my role," said Ms. Watanabe. "Teleflex has a well defined plan and strategy for future growth and I look forward to helping further execute that strategy."

Ms. Watanabe will continue to lead the Hotspur team, as well as, lead the Semprus team and the Teleflex Corporate Business Development and Strategy Group.

ABOUT TELEFLEX INCORPORATED

Teleflex is a leading global provider of specialty medical devices for a range of procedures in critical care and surgery. Our mission is to provide solutions that enable healthcare providers to improve outcomes and enhance patient and provider safety. Headquartered in Limerick, PA, Teleflex employs approximately 11,700 people worldwide and serves healthcare providers in more than 140 countries. For additional information about Teleflex please refer to www.teleflex.com.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Any statements contained in this press release that do not describe historical facts may constitute forward-looking statements. Any forward-looking statements contained herein are based on our management's current beliefs and expectations, but are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and changes in circumstances, which may cause actual results or company actions to differ materially from what is expressed or implied by these statements. These risks and uncertainties are identified and described in more detail in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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