



News Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Regina K. Robertson
rrobertson@bissell-companies.com

H.C. “Smoky” Bissell names new CEO of The Bissell Companies, Inc. *Real Estate Company names Curran as CEO*

Charlotte, NC, June 12, 2007 – The Bissell Companies, Inc. announced that it has named Edward “Ned” L. Curran as its Chief Executive Officer, effective July 1, 2007. Mr. Curran has been associated with The Bissell Companies for over fifteen years and is currently serving as President and Chief Operating Officer.

H.C. “Smoky” Bissell, the owner and founder of The Bissell Companies, previously served as Chief Executive Officer and will remain as Chairman. Mr. Bissell commented that, “Ned understands every facet of the company and the values of the organization. He is eminently capable of taking the company to the next level.”

The Bissell Companies is the corporate parent for the Bissell Family of Companies and is headquartered in their premier development, Ballantyne Corporate Park. Forming a collection of closely affiliated organizations with over 600 employees, The Bissell Family of Companies engage in all forms of real estate including development of office, flex and hotel product, office leasing and management, hotel management, commercial and residential brokerage and golf management and instruction.

###