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DUANE READE HOLDINGS, INC. TO REPORT SECOND QUARTER 2006 RESULTS

New York, New York, July 26, 2006 – Duane Reade Holdings, Inc. today announced that on Tuesday, August 8, 2006 the Company will report second quarter 2006 results before the open of the market.

In conjunction with the release, the Company will hold a conference call on Tuesday, August 8, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern time. Richard W. Dreiling, President and Chief Executive Officer, and John Henry, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, will host the call.

The conference call will also be broadcast live over the Internet and can be accessed via the Investors Information section of the Company's website at <http://www.duanereade.com>. An online archive of the broadcast will be available approximately one hour after the completion of the call and will be accessible at the same location through August 22, 2006.

About Duane Reade

Founded in 1960, Duane Reade is the largest drug store chain in the metropolitan New York City area, offering a wide variety of prescription and over-the-counter drugs, health and beauty care items, cosmetics, greeting cards, photo supplies and photofinishing. As of July 1, 2006, the Company operated 247 stores.

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