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**UNI-SELECT INC. – NET EARNINGS INCREASE BY 4.0% IN THE FIRST
QUARTER OF 2008**

Boucherville, Quebec – (May 8, 2008) - Uni-Select Inc. recorded an increase in net earnings of 4% for the first quarter of 2008 to reach \$6,061,000 or \$0.31 per share compared to \$5,828,000 or \$0.30 per share last year. Sales were reported at \$281,698,000 in the first quarter of 2008, an increase of 3.1% compared to sales of \$273,165,000 in 2007. The increase in sales for the Company is largely due to the various acquisitions completed in recent quarters partially offset by the unfavorable Canadian exchange rate compared to the US dollar. Excluding the impact of the exchange rate, sales for the Company would have increased by 10.8% and earnings would have been \$0.33 per share for the quarter, an increase of 10.0%.

Automotive Group USA's sales in the first quarter reached \$149,919,000 compared to \$148,538,000 in the first quarter of 2007. The acquisitions completed in recent quarters contributed \$26,190,000 to the increase in sales for the first quarter; however this increase was nullified by the impact of the variation in exchange rate. Excluding the impact of the exchange rate, sales for the Group would have increased by 15.1%. The operating margin of the Group improved from 5.3% in the first quarter of 2007 to 6.1% this quarter as a result of continued improvement programs on margins and costs combined with the impact of the recent acquisitions.

Automotive Group Canada reported an increase in sales of 7.2% in the first quarter of 2008 to reach \$118,765,000 compared to \$110,832,000 in the first quarter of 2007. The acquisitions completed in recent quarters contributed \$8,803,000 to the increase in sales of the first quarter. The operating margin of the Group went from 6.0% in the first quarter of last year to 5.4% this quarter. We should note that the results for this period include a non-recurring charge based on a decrease in productivity caused by damages to the roof of the Boucherville distribution center. By excluding the expense of \$300,000, the operating income would have been comparable to the same period last year.

Sales for the Heavy Duty Group decreased by 5.7% during the first quarter of 2008 to reach \$13,014,000 compared to \$13,795,000 in 2007. The operating margin of the Heavy Duty Group was negative at (8.6%) in the first quarter of 2008 compared to (8.3%) last year, primarily due to the decrease in sales.

“In an ever-competitive market, our sales efforts and continuous cost control practices are showing progress” said Mr. Richard G. Roy, President and Chief Executive Officer of Uni-Select. “We are pleased to note the contribution of recent acquisitions to the results of the Company. During the upcoming quarters, the results of our Canadian and US operations will continue to benefit from the contributions of acquisitions completed in recent quarters. We intend to continue our search for expansion projects in Canada and in the United States. The strength of the Canadian dollar versus the US dollar facilitate this expansion. We note, however, that based on the actual rate of \$1.02, the variation in the dollar will have a negative impact on the results for the next quarter which should be similar to the one registered in the first quarter. This impact does not affect our business development plans in the United States. Finally, we are noticing a slight decrease in the North American demand for automotive parts which is due to the increase in fuel prices. Our experience leads us to believe that this phenomenon is temporary and that consumers have historically adapted to this situation.”

The Board of Directors of Uni-Select Inc. declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.1075 per common share payable on July 21, 2008 to shareholders of record as at June 30, 2008.

Uni-Select is Canada’s second largest distributor of automotive replacement parts, equipment, tools and accessories and, through Uni-Select USA, Inc., the Company also provides services to customers in the United States where it is the 7th largest distributor. Its subsidiary, Palmar Inc., sells replacement parts, tools and accessories for heavy-duty vehicles and wheels in Canada. The Uni-Select Network includes over 2,000 independent jobbers and services over 3,000 points of sale in Canada and the United States. Uni-Select is headquartered in Montreal. Uni-Select shares (UNS) are traded on the TSX.

Certain statements made in this press release contain forward-looking statements which, by their very nature, include risks and uncertainties, such that actual results could differ from those indicated in those forward-looking statements. For additional information with respect to the risks and uncertainties, refer to the Annual Report filed by Uni-Select and available on SEDAR. Unless required to do so pursuant to applicable securities legislation, Uni-Select assumes no obligation as to the updating or revision of the forward-looking statements as a result of new information, future events or other changes.