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**AMPHENOL ANNOUNCES SECONDARY OFFERING OF COMMON STOCK**

Wallingford, Connecticut. May 1, 2000. Amphenol Corporation (NYSE-APH), headquartered in Wallingford, Connecticut, announced today that it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a proposed secondary offering of 6 million shares of its common stock.

Selling stockholders include affiliates of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co., L.P. and certain members of management of the Company. Amphenol Corporation is not selling shares in the offering.

The registration statement also covers an additional 900,000 shares that will be subject to an option to be granted to the underwriters to enable them to cover over-allotments in the offering, if any. Upon completion of the offering, assuming the over-allotment option is not exercised, KKR Associates L.P. will own not less than 20.3 million shares of Amphenol, which represents approximately 49% of the Company's common stock and approximately 77% of KKR's pre-offering shareholdings.

The offering will be managed by Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette, Lehman Brothers, Merrill Lynch & Co., and Salomon Smith Barney.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities law of any such state.

Amphenol Corporation manufactures connectors, cable and interconnect systems for electronics, cable television, telecommunications, aerospace, transportation and industrial applications. The Company's products are engineered and produced in the Americas, Europe and Asia and sold by a worldwide sales and marketing organization.