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# NORTEK

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August 8, 2002

Mr. Jonathan G. Katz  
Secretary  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
450 Fifth Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20549

Re: Nortek, Inc.—Statements Under Oath of Principal Executive Officer and Principal  
Financial Officer

Dear Secretary Katz:

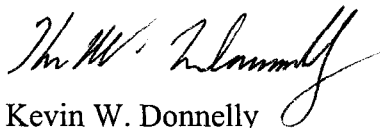
In accordance with the June 27, 2002 Order requiring sworn statements pursuant to Section 21(a)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (File No. 4-460), please find enclosed executed originals of each of the following documents:

1. Statement Under Oath of Principal Executive Officer Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings; and
2. Statement Under Oath of Principal Financial Officer Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter and the enclosed statements by stamping and returning the enclosed copy in the self-addressed envelope provided.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (401) 751-1600.

Very truly yours,



Kevin W. Donnelly

Enclosures

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**Statement Under Oath of Principal Executive Officer Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings**

I, Richard L. Bready, state and attest that:

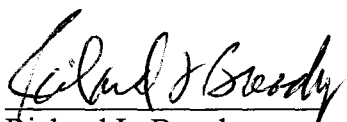
(1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of Nortek, Inc., and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:

- no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
- no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed.)

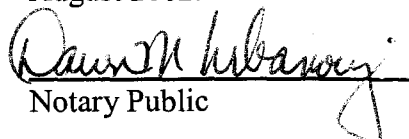
(2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with the Company's audit committee.

(3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":

- the 2001 Annual Report on Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year ended December 31, 2001 of Nortek, Inc.;
- all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of Nortek, Inc. filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
- any amendments to any of the foregoing.

  
 Richard L. Bready  
 Principal Executive Officer  
 August 8, 2002

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8 day of August 2002.

  
 Dawn M. Libarney  
 Notary Public

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My Commission Expires: 4/27/2006