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Certification

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Exhibit 99.1

**Annual CEO Certification (Section 303A.12(a))**

As the Chief Executive Officer of Zimmer Holdings, Inc. ("Company"), and as required by Section 303A.12(a) of the New York Stock Exchange Listed Company Manual, I hereby certify that as of the date hereof I am not aware of any violation by the Company of NYSE's Corporate Governance listing standards, other than has been notified to the Exchange pursuant to Section 303A.12(b) and disclosed as Exhibit H to the Company's Section 303A Annual Written Affirmation.

By:                     /s/ J. RAYMOND ELLIOTT                    

Print Name: J. Raymond Elliott

Title: *Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer*

Date: May 13, 2005