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Fisher & Paykel Appliances provides assistance to the people of Canterbury

Fisher & Paykel Appliances Holdings, on behalf of its subsidiaries Fisher & Paykel Appliances and Fisher & Paykel Finance, is contributing \$100,000 to earthquake relief for the Canterbury region. It will make an immediate donation of \$50,000 to the Canterbury Earthquake Appeal followed by another \$50,000 in home appliances.

Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer Stuart Broadhurst said, "This donation is a first step in what will be an on-going process to help those who have been affected or suffered loss in the earthquake.

"Many fridges, ovens, washing machines and clothes dryers will have been destroyed, or are inaccessible, as a result of the quake. Providing access to these near essential items during such a stressful time will, we hope, go some way to making life a little easier for those most affected," said Mr Broadhurst.

"Given the potential issues around water supply and drainage, our local people will be working with support agencies to make sure the appliances are directed to the appropriate areas.

"We are very fortunate in that our own distribution centre in the South Island was largely undamaged and all of our staff and their families are safe and well. Although they were shaken, they have worked hard to get things back up and running as soon as possible."

"We will also be working with local retailers to assist them to restock stores and support those local businesses where possible."

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