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## **THOMAS & FRIENDS™: CARNIVAL CAPERS**

**LOS ANGELES / NEW YORK, NY – July 19, 2007** – This August, join *Thomas the Tank Engine*™ and the other really useful engines as they welcome a carnival to the Island of Sodor as HIT Entertainment and Twentieth Century Fox Home Entertainment release to DVD ***Thomas & Friends: Carnival Capers***. Featuring five episodes from the popular *Thomas & Friends* television series on PBS, the DVD introduces new engine friends Rocky and Rosie as they embark on an exploration around the island that teaches valuable lessons in teamwork. ***Thomas & Friends: Carnival Capers*** will be available on DVD on August 7<sup>th</sup> for the suggested retail price of \$14.98.

As a special bonus feature, ***Thomas & Friends: Carnival Capers*** features collectible embossed foil packaging and will include an episode featuring everyone's favorite builder, *Bob the Builder*™, in "Roley's New Friend". This unique addition precedes the anticipated September direct-to-DVD release of ***Bob the Builder: Scrambler to the Rescue***.

### **Thomas & Friends: Carnival Capers Fast Facts:**

- Street Date: August 7, 2007
- Pre-book Date: June 16, 2007
- DVD SRP: \$14.98
- DVD Running Time: 56 Minutes
- **Special Features:** Never-before-seen Bob the Builder episode, *Roley's New Friend*.

### **Thomas & Friends: Carnival Capers Synopsis:**

Join Thomas & Friends as a carnival comes to the Island of Sodor! Also, meet new friends, Rocky and Rosie, and follow them as they explore their new surroundings and learn to work as a team with other really useful engines!

### **About Thomas & Friends**

*Thomas & Friends* invites children to enter a world of imagination through the tracks of a train and the words of a story. *Thomas the Tank Engine* was created by a father for his son more than 60 years ago. Today, families in more than 145 countries enjoy fun and adventure with their engine friends while experiencing timeless life lessons of discovery, friendship and cooperation. *Thomas & Friends* is making tracks to great destinations on PBS KIDS® and PBS KIDS Sprout™. For more information about the world of *Thomas the Tank Engine* and his friends, please visit [www.thomasandfriends.com](http://www.thomasandfriends.com).

### **About HIT Entertainment**

HIT Entertainment, owned by private equity investment group Apax Partners, is one of the world's leading independent children's entertainment producers and rights-owners. HIT's portfolio includes properties, such as *Barney™*, *Bob the Builder™*, *Thomas & Friends™*, *Pingu™*, *Fireman Sam™*, *Angelina Ballerina™* and *Rainbow Magic™*. HIT represents *Fifi and the Flowertots™* and *Roary the Racing Car™* in North America and Japan and acts as a worldwide representative for The Jim Henson Company's library of classic family brands and as representative for *The Wiggles®* in the UK. HIT also owns the Guinness World Records™ publishing and television property. Launched in 1989, HIT's lines of business span television and video production (including studios in the US and the UK), publishing, consumer products licensing and live events. With a catalogue of more than 1,000 hours of young children's programming, HIT sells its shows to more than 240 countries worldwide, in more than 40 different languages and has operations in the UK, US, Canada, Hong Kong and Japan. In 2005, the Company joined Comcast Corporation, PBS and Sesame Workshop to launch PBS KIDS Sprout<sup>SM</sup>, a 24-hour digital cable channel and VOD service for preschoolers. In 2006, HIT Entertainment launched HIT Toy Company to design, manufacture and distribute toys in North America. For more information, visit [www.hitentertainment.com](http://www.hitentertainment.com).

### **About Twentieth Century Fox Home Entertainment**

A recognized global industry leader, Twentieth Century Fox Home Entertainment LLC (TCFHE) is the worldwide marketing, sales and distribution company for all Fox film and television programming on VHS, DVD and Blu-ray Disc (BD) as well as acquisitions and original productions. The company also releases all products around the globe for MGM Home Entertainment. Each year TCFHE introduces hundreds of new and newly enhanced products, which it services to retail outlets -- from mass merchants and warehouse clubs to specialty stores and e-commerce - throughout the world. Twentieth Century Fox Home Entertainment LLC is a subsidiary of Twentieth Century Fox Film Corporation, a News Corporation company.

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