

Two Stihl Products Rated “Best Buys” By Consumers Digest

(NAPSA)—*Consumers Digest* has branded two STIHL products as “Best Buys” in the Home and Garden Buying Guide section of the April 2001 issue. The STIHL FS 45 string trimmer and the STIHL HS 45 hedge trimmer, both STIHL HomeScaper Series™ products, were picked by *Consumers Digest* to offer outstanding value for their price in the category of home, lawn and garden tools.

“We are honored that *Consumers Digest* has included STIHL on its list of ‘best buys,’” said Fred J. Whyte, president of STIHL Incorporated. “STIHL prides itself on maintaining the highest standards in the industry. So, when such a highly regarded publication recognizes STIHL’s quality of workmanship, we know our mission is a success.”

STIHL’s FS 45 string trimmer was labeled a Midrange Selection, indicating that the product offers many popular features and good performance at a price below the top of the line for the product category. *Consumers Digest* classified the HS 45 as a Premium Selection, suggesting that this hedge trimmer is full-featured and priced accordingly.

STIHL manufactures the world’s largest selling brand of chain saws and portable, hand-held, cut-off machines as well as a complete line of powerful, lightweight, and versatile outdoor power equipment and



top quality, precision hand tools for homeowners and professional users. STIHL products are sold through independent servicing power equipment retailers from coast to coast. For more information or for the name of the closest STIHL retailer call toll free 1-800- GO STIHL (1-800-467-8445) or visit their Web site at www.stihlusa.com.

This year marks the 75th anniversary of the founding company, Andreas Stihl AG & Co.