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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of
The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 29, 2005

CALLAWAY GOLF COMPANY

	(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charte	er)			
DELAWARE	1-10962	95-3797580			
(State or Other Jurisdiction	(Commission	(IRS Employer			
of Incorporation)	File Number)	Identification No.)			
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SECTION 1 — REGISTRANT'S BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

The information regarding the Employment Agreement with George Fellows provided in Item 5.02 of this Current Report is incorporated into this Item 1.01 by reference.

SECTION 5 — CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

(b) William C. Baker submitted his resignation as Callaway Golf Company's (the "Company") Chief Executive Officer and as Chairman of the Board, which resignation became effective upon the appointment of George Fellows as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company effective August 1, 2005. Mr. Baker remains a director of the Company, a role in which he has served since 1994. In light of Mr. Baker's resignation as Chairman of the Board, the Board of Directors appointed its Lead Independent Director, Ronald S. Beard, as Chairman of the Board effective as of August 1, 2005.

(c) The Board of Directors approved the appointment, effective August 1, 2005, of Mr. Fellows as its principal executive officer (within the meaning of federal securities laws), giving him the titles President and Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Fellows is 62 years old. During the period 2000 through July 2005 he served as President and Chief Executive Officer of GF Consulting, a management consulting firm, and served as Senior Advisor to Investcorp International, Inc. and J.P. Morgan Partners, LLC. Previously, Mr. Fellows was a member of senior management of Revlon, Inc. from 1993 to 1999, including his term as President commencing 1995 and Chief Executive Officer commencing 1997. He is a member of the board of directors of VF Corporation; Mr. Fellows is also chair of the Audit Committee and a member of the Nominating and Governance Committee of VF Corporation. Previously, he has served on the boards of directors of Revlon, Inc., the National Association of Chain Drug Stores, the Cosmetics, Toiletries and Fragrance Association, and has served on the New York Stock Exchange Listed Company Advisory Committee. Mr. Fellows graduated in 1964 with a B.S. degree from City College of New York, received an MBA from Columbia University in 1966 and completed the Harvard Advanced Management Program in 1981.

As of July 29, 2005, the Company entered into an employment agreement (the "Employment Agreement") with Mr. Fellows to memorialize the terms of the compensation Mr. Fellows will receive as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. The Employment Agreement covers a term of employment commencing August 1, 2005 and ending December 31, 2008.

Pursuant to the Employment Agreement, the Company has agreed to provide Mr. Fellows: (i) a base salary of \$850,000 per year; (ii) an opportunity to earn an annual bonus based upon participation in the Company's applicable bonus plan as it may or may not exist from time to time (with the target annual bonus opportunity for Mr. Fellows being equal to 100% of his base salary); however, for the year 2005 Mr. Fellows is guaranteed an annual bonus of no less than 65% of the base salary paid to him in 2005; (iii) certain other benefits generally available to other members of senior management; (iv) an opportunity to participate in the annual and (beginning January 1, 2007) long-term compensation programs and benefit plans generally available to other members of senior management; and (v) a benefits package to assist with temporary living expenses and relocation to San Diego County, California.

In addition, the Company agreed to grant Mr. Fellows 160,000 shares of restricted common stock. These shares are scheduled to vest on December 31, 2008, subject to accelerated vesting upon certain change in control and termination of employment events. Until vested, the shares may not be transferred and are subject to forfeiture if Mr. Fellows' employment is terminated by the Company for Substantial Cause (as such term is defined in the Employment Agreement) or by Mr. Fellows without Good Reason (as such term is defined in the Employment Agreement). The Company also agreed to grant to Mr. Fellows a non-qualified stock option to purchase up to 400,000 shares of the Company's common stock at an exercise price equal to the fair market value of the Company's common stock on the effective date of grant (i.e. \$14.93), subject to accelerated vesting upon certain change in control and termination of employment events.

In the event his employment is terminated by the Company without Substantial Cause or by Mr. Fellows for Good Reason, including the failure to renew his employment contract through December 31, 2010, then Mr. Fellows is generally entitled to the following termination benefits: (i) the immediate vesting of all unvested stock-based long-term

incentive awards held by him as of the date of such termination; (ii) a lump sum amount equal to his target annual bonus opportunity pro rated for service through the date of termination; (iii) severance payments (payable over 24 months) equal to a total of 1.0 times his then-current base salary and annual target bonus, provided he executes a release of claims in favor of the Company; (iv) incentive payments (payable over 24 months) equal to a total of 1.0 times his then-current base salary and annual target bonus, provided he chooses not to engage in any business or venture that competes with the business of the Company or any of its affiliates; and (v) the payment of premiums of COBRA or Cal-COBRA insurance benefits for 24 months.

Upon a Termination Event (as such term is defined in the Employment Agreement) within one year following a Change in Control (as such term is defined in the Employment Agreement), the Employment Agreement generally provides for the following termination benefits: (i) the immediate vesting of all unvested stock-based long-term incentive awards held by him as of the date of such termination; (ii) a lump sum amount equal to his target annual bonus opportunity pro rated for service through the date of termination; (iii) severance payments (payable over 36 months) equal to a total of 1.5 times his then-current base salary and annual target bonus, provided he executes a release of claims in favor of the Company; (iv) incentive payments (payable over 36 months) equal to a total of 1.5 times his then-current base salary and annual target bonus, provided he chooses not to engage in any business or venture that competes with the business of the Company or any of its affiliates; (v) the payment of premiums of COBRA or Cal-COBRA insurance benefits for 36 months; and (vi) indemnification by the Company for any excise tax obligations.

The description of the terms of the Employment Agreement with Mr. Fellows is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Employment Agreement, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.55 and incorporated in this Item 5.02(c) by reference.

(d) Effective as of Mr. Fellows accepting his appointment as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, the Board of Directors appointed Mr. Fellows as a director to fill a vacancy created by the Board's action increasing the number of members of the Board of Directors from 7 to 8.

On August 1, 2005, the Company issued a press release captioned "Callaway Golf Company Appoints New CEO and Director." A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated in this Item 5.02 by reference.

SECTION 9 — FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

The following exhibits are being filed or furnished herewith:

Exhibit 10.55 Callaway Golf Company Chief Executive Officer Employment Agreement, entered into as of July 29, 2005, by and between Callaway Golf Company and George Fellows.

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release, dated August 1, 2005, captioned "Callaway Golf Company Appoints New CEO and Director."

Dated: August 3, 2005

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CALLAWAY GOLF COMPANY

By: /s/ Bradley J. Holiday

Name: Bradley J. Holiday

Title: Senior Executive Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer

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Exhibit No. 10.55	Description Callaway Golf Company Chief Executive Officer Employment Agreement, entered into as of July 29, 2005, by and between Callaway Golf Company and George Fellows.
99.1	Press release, dated August 1, 2005, captioned "Callaway Golf Company Appoints New CEO and Director."

CALLAWAY GOLF COMPANY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Chief Executive Officer Employment Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into as of July 29 , 2005, by and between CALLAWAY GOLF COMPANY, a Delaware corporation, (the "Company") and GEORGE FELLOWS ("Employee").

1. TERM. The Company hereby employs Employee and Employee hereby accepts employment pursuant to the terms and provisions of this Agreement for the period commencing August 1, 2005, and ending December 31, 2008, unless this Agreement is earlier terminated as hereinafter provided. Upon expiration of this Agreement Employee's status shall be one of at-will employment. Should the Company fail by August 31, 2008 to offer Employee a new employment agreement on substantially the same economic terms and with a term running until at least December 31, 2010, then Employee shall have the right for thirty (30) days (i.e., until September 30, 2008) to treat such failure to act on the Company's part as grounds for termination of this Agreement by Employee for good reason pursuant to Section 7(c). At all times during the term of this Agreement, Employee shall be considered an employee of the Company within the meaning of all federal, state and local laws and regulations, including, but not limited to, laws and regulations governing unemployment insurance, workers' compensation, industrial accident, labor and taxes.

2. TITLES; POSITIONS.

- (a) Employee shall serve as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. Employee's duties shall be the usual and customary duties of the offices in which Employee serves. Employee shall report solely to the Board of Directors.
- (b) It is agreed that Employee shall be appointed immediately upon the start of his employment to fill a vacancy on the Board of Directors, and that Employee shall be nominated for election by the shareholders as a Director at the first annual meeting of shareholders held thereafter. If elected by the shareholders at that meeting, and so long as Employee continues to meet the standards required of a Director, Employee shall continue to be nominated for election as a Director at each subsequent annual meeting of shareholders during the term of Employee's employment with the Company.
- 3. SERVICES TO BE EXCLUSIVE. During the term hereof, Employee agrees to devote Employee's full productive time and best efforts to the performance of Employee's duties hereunder pursuant to the supervision and direction of the Company's Board of Directors. Employee further agrees, as a condition to the performance by the Company of each and all of its obligations hereunder, that so long as Employee is employed by the Company, Employee will not directly or indirectly render services of any nature to, otherwise become employed by, or otherwise participate or engage in any other business without the Company's prior written consent. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to preclude Employee from having outside personal investments, involvement with appropriate community and charitable activities, continuing to serve on the two boards of directors previously disclosed as of the date Employment commences, or from devoting a reasonable amount of time to such matters, provided that this shall in no manner interfere with or derogate from Employee's work for the Company.

4. COMPENSATION.

- (a) Base Salary. The Company agrees to pay Employee a base salary at the rate of \$850,000 per year (prorated for any partial years of employment including 2005), payable in equal installments on regularly scheduled Company pay dates as they may be adjusted from time to time.
- (b) Annual Bonus. The Company shall provide Employee an opportunity to earn an annual bonus based upon participation in the Company's applicable bonus plan as it may or may not exist from time to time. Employee acknowledges that currently all bonuses are discretionary. However, and notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) it is agreed that during the term of this Agreement Employee shall have a target annual bonus opportunity equal to 100% of Employee's annual Base Salary paid in the pertinent year, based upon the achievement of realistic performance goals determined by the Board of Directors and/or its compensation committee in consultation with Employee, and (ii) Employee is guaranteed an annual bonus for services rendered in 2005 of no less than 65% of the base salary paid to Employee in 2005, such bonus to be paid at the same time as any bonus earned in 2005 paid to any other officer of the Company but no later than March 30, 2006.

(c) Long Term Incentive.

- (i) Effective upon the date Employee commences employment with the Company pursuant to this Agreement, the Company shall award to Employee long term incentive compensation in the form of 160,000 restricted shares of the Company's Common Stock and options to purchase up to 400,000 shares of the Company's Common Stock at the market price of such stock on the date of grant. The restricted stock shall vest on December 31, 2008. One-third of the options shall vest on each anniversary of the grant date. These grants of restricted stock and options shall be governed by the terms and conditions of written equity award agreements, which shall be separately executed concurrently with this Agreement.
- (ii) Commencing January 1, 2007, the Company shall provide Employee an opportunity to participate in the Company's applicable long term incentive plan as it may or may not exist from time to time.

5. EXPENSES AND BENEFITS.

- (a) Reasonable and Necessary Expenses. In addition to the compensation provided for in Section 4, the Company shall reimburse Employee for all reasonable, customary and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of Employee's duties hereunder. Employee shall first account for such expenses in accordance with the policies and procedures set by the Company from time to time for reimbursement of such expenses. The amount, nature, and extent of such expenses shall always be subject to the control, supervision and direction of the Company.
- (b) Paid Time Off. Employee shall accrue paid time off in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Company's Paid Time Off Program, as stated in the Company's Employee Handbook, and as may be modified from time to time. Subject to the maximum accrual permitted under the Paid Time Off Program, Employee shall accrue paid time off at the rate of thirty (30) days per year. The time off may be taken any time during the year subject to prior approval by the Company. The Company reserves the right to pay Employee for unused, accrued benefits in lieu of providing time off.

- (i) participate in the Company's health insurance and disability insurance plans as the same may be modified from time to time;
- (ii) receive, if Employee is insurable under usual underwriting standards, term life insurance coverage on Employee's life, payable to whomever Employee directs, in an amount equal to \$3,000,000 in coverage, provided that Employee completes the required health statement and application and that Employee's physical condition does not prevent Employee from qualifying for such insurance coverage under reasonable terms and conditions; and
- (d) Retirement. Employee shall be permitted to participate in the Company's 401(k) retirement investment plan, employee stock purchase plan and executive deferred compensation plan pursuant to the terms of such plans, as the same may be modified from time to time, to the extent such plans are offered to other officers of the Company from time to time.
- (e) Estate Planning and Other Perquisites. To the extent the Company provides tax and estate planning and related services, or any other perquisites and personal benefits to other officers generally from time to time, such services and perquisites shall be made available to Employee on the same terms and conditions.
- (f) Country Club Membership. Employee shall be provided with access to a country club in accordance with the Company's country club use policy, as modified from time to time. The club membership itself shall belong to, and be the property of, the Company, not Employee.
- (g) Temporary Living Expenses. For a reasonable period of time commencing with the date of employment and ending no later than July 31, 2006, the Company shall provide the following benefits. To the extent such benefits are taxable as compensation to Employee, the Company shall provide a gross up payment equal to all such taxes plus any taxes payable in connection with the gross up payment.
- (i) The Company shall provide for Employee's use a mutually agreed upon, furnished apartment near the Company's headquarters in Carlsbad, California.
- (ii) The Company shall provide for Employee's use a mutually agreed upon automobile for use while in California.
- (iii) The Company shall reimburse Employee for the actual and reasonable cost of round trip first class air travel for Employee and/or Employee's spouse between San Diego and New York.
- (h) Relocation. Should Employee choose to relocate his principal residence to San Diego County, California, to a location proximate the Company's headquarters, then Employee and the Company shall agree upon a reasonable relocation package consistent with the Company's practices and industry norms.
- 6. TAXES. Employee acknowledges that Employee is responsible for all taxes related to Employee's compensation except for those taxes for which the Company is obligated to pay under applicable law or regulation, or as provided in Sections 5(g) and 9(c) of this Agreement. Employee agrees that the Company may withhold from Employee's compensation any amounts that the Company is required to withhold under applicable law or regulation.

7. TERMINATION.

- (a) Termination by the Company Without Substantial Cause. Employee's employment under this Agreement may be terminated by the Company at any time without substantial cause. In the event of a termination by the Company without substantial cause, Employee shall be entitled to receive (i) any compensation (including Paid Time Off) accrued and unpaid as of the date of termination; (ii) a lump sum amount equal to Employee's target annual bonus opportunity pro rated for service through the date of termination; and (iii) the immediate vesting of all unvested stock-based long term incentive compensation, whether in the form of options, restricted stock, performance shares, stock appreciation rights or otherwise constituted. In addition to the foregoing and subject to the provisions thereof, Employee shall be eligible to receive Special Severance as described in subsection 7(g) and Incentive Payments as described in subsection 7(h).
- (b) Termination by the Company for Substantial Cause or by Employee Without Good Reason. Employee's employment under this Agreement may be terminated immediately and at any time by the Company for substantial cause or by Employee without good reason. In the event of such a termination, Employee shall be entitled to receive (i) any compensation (including Paid Time Off) accrued and unpaid as of the date of termination; and (ii) no other severance. "Substantial cause" shall mean for purposes of this subsection Employee's (i) continued failure to substantially perform Employee's duties after a written demand for substantial performance has been delivered to Employee by the Board of Directors; (ii) material breach of this Agreement that is not cured to the reasonable satisfaction of the Board of Directors within fifteen (15) days after delivery of written notice describing the breach; (iii) misconduct, including but not limited to, use or possession of illegal drugs during work and/or any other action that is damaging or detrimental in a significant manner to the Company; (iv) conviction of, or plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, a felony; or (v) failure to cooperate with, or any attempt to obstruct or improperly influence, any investigation authorized by the Board of Directors or any governmental or regulatory agency entity.
- (c) Termination by Employee for Good Reason. Employee's employment under this Agreement may be terminated immediately by Employee for good reason at any time. In the event of a termination by Employee for good reason, Employee shall be entitled to receive (i) any compensation (including Paid Time Off) accrued and unpaid as of the date of termination; (ii) a lump sum amount equal to Employee's target annual bonus opportunity pro rated for service through the date of termination; and (iii) the immediate vesting of all unvested stock-based long term incentive compensation, whether in the form of options, restricted stock, performance shares, stock appreciation rights or otherwise constituted. In addition to the foregoing and subject to the provisions thereof, Employee shall be eligible to receive Special Severance as described in subsection 7(g) and Incentive Payments as described in subsection 7(h). "Good Reason" shall mean for purposes of this subsection a material breach of this Agreement by the Company.
- (d) Termination Due to Permanent Disability. Subject to all applicable laws, Employee's employment under this Agreement may be terminated immediately by the Company in the event Employee becomes permanently disabled. Permanent disability shall be defined as Employee's failure to perform or being unable to perform all or substantially all of Employee's duties under this Agreement for a continuous period of more than six (6) months on account of any physical or mental disability, either as mutually agreed to by the parties or as reflected in the opinions of three qualified physicians, one of which has been selected by the Company, one of which has been selected by Employee, and one of which has been selected by the two other physicians jointly. In the event of a termination by the Company due to Employee's permanent disability, Employee shall be entitled to (i) any compensation (including Paid Time Off) accrued and unpaid as of the date of termination; (ii) severance payments equal to Employee's then current base salary at the same rate and on the same schedule as in effect at the time of termination for a period of six (6) months from the date of termination; (iii) a lump sum amount equal to Employee's target annual bonus opportunity

pro rated for service through the date of termination; (iv) the immediate vesting of all unvested stock-based long term incentive compensation, whether in the form of options, restricted stock, performance shares, stock appreciation rights or otherwise constituted, held by Employee that would have vested had Employee remained employed pursuant to this Agreement for a period of six (6) months from the date of such termination; (v) the payment of premiums owed for COBRA insurance benefits for a period of twelve (12) months from the date of termination; and (vi) no other severance. The Company shall be entitled to take as an offset against any amounts due pursuant to subsections (i) and (ii) above, any amounts received by Employee pursuant to disability or other insurance, or similar sources, provided by the Company.

- (e) Termination by Mutual Agreement of the Parties. Employee's employment pursuant to this Agreement may be terminated at any time upon the mutual agreement in writing of the parties. Any such termination of employment shall have the consequences specified in such agreement.
- (f) Pre-Termination Rights. The Company shall have the right, at its option, to require Employee to vacate Employee's office or otherwise remain off the Company's premises and to cease any and all activities on the Company's behalf without such action constituting a termination of employment or a breach of this Agreement.

(g) Special Severance.

- (i) Amount in the Event of a Termination Pursuant to Sections 7(a) or 7(c). In the event of a termination pursuant to Sections 7(a) or 7(c) of this Agreement, Special Severance shall consist of a total amount equal to 1.0 times the sum of Employee's then current annual base salary and annual target bonus, payable in equal installments on the same pay schedule as in effect at the time of termination over a period of twenty-four (24) months from the date of termination; the payment of premiums owed for COBRA and/or CalCOBRA insurance benefits for a period of twenty-four (24) months from the date of termination; and no other severance.
- (ii) Amount in the Event of a Termination Pursuant to Section 9. In the event of a termination pursuant to Section 9 of this Agreement, then Special Severance shall consist of a total amount equal to 1.5 times the sum of Employee's then current annual base salary and annual target bonus, payable in equal installments on the same pay schedule as in effect at the time of termination over a period of thirty-six (36) months from the date of termination; the payment of premiums owed for COBRA and/or CalCOBRA insurance benefits for a period of thirty-six (36) months from the date of termination; and no other severance.
- (iii) Amount in the Event of a Subsequent Change in Control. Notwithstanding any other provisions to the contrary, if a Change in Control (as defined in Exhibit A) occurs within six (6) months following a termination of Employee's employment under this Agreement pursuant to Sections 7(a) or 7(c), and that Change in Control is the direct result of discussions or undertakings that were ongoing as of the date of such termination, then the amount of Special Severance shall be calculated in accordance with Section 7(g)(ii).
- (iv) Conditions on Receiving Special Severance. Notwithstanding anything else to the contrary, it is expressly understood that any obligation of the Company to pay Special Severance pursuant to this Agreement shall be subject to Employee's continued compliance with the terms and conditions of Sections 8 and 11; Employee's continued forbearance from directly, indirectly or in any other way, disparaging the Company, its officers or employees, vendors, customers, products or activities, or otherwise interfering with the Company's press, public and media relations; and the execution by Employee, prior to receiving any Special Severance, of a release in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B.

(h) Incentive Payments.

- (i) Amount in the Event of a Termination Pursuant to Sections 7(a) or 7(c). In the event of a termination pursuant to Sections 7(a) or 7(c) of this Agreement, Employee shall be offered the opportunity to receive Incentive Payments in a total amount equal to 1.0 times the sum of Employee's then current annual base salary and target bonus, payable in equal installments on the same pay schedule in effect at the time of termination over a period of twenty-four (24) months from the date of termination.
- (ii) Amount in the Event of a Termination Pursuant to Section 9. In the event of a termination pursuant to Section 9 of this Agreement, Employee shall be offered the opportunity to receive Incentive Payments in a total amount equal to 1.5 times the sum of Employee's then current annual base salary and annual target bonus, payable in equal installments on the same pay schedule as in effect at the time of termination over a period of thirty-six (36) months from the date of termination.
- (iii) Amount in the Event of a Subsequent Change in Control. Notwithstanding any other provisions to the contrary, if a Change in Control (as defined in Exhibit A) occurs within six (6) months following a termination of Employee's employment under this Agreement pursuant to Sections 7(a) or 7(c), and that Change in Control is the direct result of discussions or undertakings that were ongoing as of the date of such termination, then the amount of available Incentive Payments shall be calculated in accordance with Section 7(h)(ii).
- (iv) Terms and Conditions for Incentive Payments. Employee may receive Incentive Payments so long as Employee chooses not to engage (whether as an owner, employee, agent, consultant, or in any other capacity) in any business or venture that competes with the business of the Company or any of its affiliates. If Employee chooses to engage in such activities, then the Company shall have no obligation to make further Incentive Payments commencing upon the date which Employee chooses to do so. For purposes of this Section, Employee shall not be deemed to "own" an entity if Employee holds less than 2% beneficial ownership interests of a firm, corporation or venture.
- (v) Sole Consideration. Employee and the Company agree and acknowledge that the sole and exclusive consideration for the Incentive Payments is Employee's forbearance as described in this subsection 7(h). In the event that this subsection 7(h) is deemed unenforceable or invalid for any reason, then the Company will have no obligation to make Incentive Payments for the period of time during which it has been deemed unenforceable or invalid. The obligations and duties of this subsection 7(h) shall be separate and distinct from the other obligations and duties set forth in this Agreement, and any finding of invalidity or unenforceability of this subsection 7(h) shall have no effect upon the validity or invalidity of the other provisions of this Agreement.
- (i) Treatment of Special Severance and Incentive Payments; Catch-Up Payments. Any Special Severance and Incentive Payments shall be subject to usual and customary employee payroll practices and all applicable withholding requirements. If required pursuant to Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any regulations or other binding guidance promulgated thereunder, to delay the payment of any Special Severance or Incentive Payments for six months following termination, then on the day following the end of such six-month period the Company shall make a Catch-Up Payment equal to the total amount of such payments that would have been made during the six-month period but for the application of Section 409A plus interest calculated at the one-year Treasury Bill rate.

(j) Other. Except for the amounts specifically provided pursuant to this Section 7, Employee shall not be entitled to any further compensation, bonus, damages, restitution, relocation benefits, or other severance benefits upon termination of employment. The amounts payable to Employee pursuant to these Sections shall not be treated as damages, but as compensation to which Employee may be entitled by reason of termination of employment under the applicable circumstances. The Company shall not be entitled to set off against the amounts payable to Employee pursuant to this Section 7 any amounts earned by Employee in other employment after termination of Employee's employment with the Company pursuant to this Agreement, or any amounts which might have been earned by Employee in other employment had Employee sought such other employment. The provisions of this Section 7 shall not limit Employee's rights under or pursuant to any other agreement or understanding with the Company regarding any pension, profit sharing, insurance or other employee benefit plan of the Company to which Employee is entitled pursuant to the terms of such plan.

8. OTHER EMPLOYEE DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS.

In addition to any other duties and obligations set forth in this Agreement, Employee shall be obligated as follows:

- (a) Compliance with Company Policy. Employee shall be required to comply with all policies and procedures of the Company as such shall be adopted, modified or otherwise established by the Company from time to time, including but not limited to the Company' Code of Conduct.
 - (b) Trade Secrets and Confidential Information.
- (i) As used in this Agreement, the term "Trade Secrets and Confidential Information" means information, whether written or oral, not generally available to the public, regardless of whether it is suitable to be patented, copyrighted and/or trademarked, which is received from the Company and/or its affiliates, either directly or indirectly, including but not limited to concepts, ideas, plans and strategies involved in the Company's and/or its affiliates' products, the processes, formulae and techniques disclosed by the Company and/or its affiliates to Employee or observed by Employee, the designs, inventions and innovations and related plans, strategies and applications which Employee develops during the term of this Agreement in connection with the work performed by Employee for the Company and/or its affiliates; and third party information which the Company and/or its affiliates has/have agreed to keep confidential.
- (ii) While employed by the Company, Employee will have access to and become familiar with Trade Secrets and Confidential Information. Employee acknowledges that Trade Secrets and Confidential Information are owned and shall continue to be owned solely by the Company and/or its affiliates. Employee agrees that Employee will not, at any time, whether during or subsequent to Employee's employment by the Company and/or its affiliates, use or disclose Trade Secrets and Confidential Information for any competitive purpose or divulge the same to any person other than the Company or persons with respect to whom the Company has given its written consent, unless Employee is compelled to make disclosure by governmental process. In the event Employee believes that Employee is legally required to disclose any Trade Secrets or Confidential Information, Employee shall give reasonable notice to the Company prior to disclosing such information and shall assist the Company, at the Company's sole cost and expense, in taking such legally permissible steps as are reasonable and necessary to protect the Trade Secrets or Confidential Information, including, but not limited to execution by the receiving party of a non-disclosure agreement in a form acceptable to the Company.

- (iii) Employee agrees to execute such secrecy, non-disclosure, patent, trademark, copyright and other proprietary rights agreements, if any, as the Company may from time to time reasonably require.
- (iv) The provisions of this subsection 8(b) shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement, and shall be binding upon Employee in perpetuity.

(c) Assignment of Rights.

- (i) As used in this Agreement, "Designs, Inventions and Innovations," whether or not they have been patented, trademarked, or copyrighted, include, but are not limited to designs, inventions, innovations, ideas, improvements, processes, sources of and uses for materials, apparatus, plans, systems and computer programs relating to the design, manufacture, use, marketing, distribution and management of the Company's and/or its affiliates' products.
- (ii) As a material part of the terms and understandings of this Agreement, Employee agrees to assign to the Company all Designs, Inventions and Innovations developed, conceived and/or reduced to practice by Employee, alone or with anyone else, in connection with the work performed by Employee for the Company during Employee's employment with the Company, regardless of whether they are suitable to be patented, trademarked and/or copyrighted.
- (iii) Employee agrees to disclose in writing to the Board of Directors any Design, Invention or Innovation relating to the business of the Company and/or its affiliates, which Employee develops, conceives and/or reduces to practice in connection with any work performed by Employee for the Company, either alone or with anyone else, while employed by the Company and/or within twelve (12) months of the termination of employment. Employee shall disclose all Designs, Inventions and Innovations to the Company, even if Employee does not believe that he or she is required under this Agreement, or pursuant to California Labor Code Section 2870, to assign Employee's interest in such Design, Invention or Innovation to the Company. If the Company and Employee disagree as to whether or not a Design, Invention or Innovation is included within the terms of this Agreement, it will be the responsibility of Employee to prove that it is not included.
- (iv) Pursuant to California Labor Code Section 2870, the obligation to assign as provided in this Agreement does not apply to any Design, Invention or Innovation to the extent such obligation would conflict with any state or federal law. The obligation to assign as provided in this Agreement does not apply to any Design, Invention or Innovation that Employee developed entirely on Employee's own time without using the Company's equipment, supplies, facilities or Trade Secrets and Confidential Information except those Designs, Inventions or Innovations that either relate at the time of conception or reduction to practice to the Company's and/or its affiliates' business, or actual or demonstrably anticipated research of the Company and/or its affiliates; or result from any work performed by Employee for the Company and/or its affiliates.
- (v) Employee agrees that any Design, Invention and/or Innovation which is required under the provisions of this Agreement to be assigned to the Company shall be the sole and exclusive property of the Company. Upon the Company's request, at no expense to Employee, Employee shall execute any and all proper applications for patents, copyrights and/or trademarks, assignments to the Company, and all other applicable documents, and will give testimony when and where requested to perfect the title and/or patents (both within and without the United States) in all Designs, Inventions and Innovations belonging to the Company.
- (vi) The provisions of this subsection 8(c) shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement, and shall be binding upon Employee in perpetuity.

- (d) Competing Business. To the fullest extent permitted by law, Employee agrees that, while employed by the Company, Employee will not, directly or indirectly (whether as employee, agent, consultant, holder of a beneficial interest, creditor, or in any other capacity), engage in any business or venture which conflicts with Employee's duties under this Agreement, including services that are directly or indirectly in competition with the business of the Company or any of its affiliates, or have any interest in any person, firm, corporation, or venture which engages directly or indirectly in competition with the business of the Company or any of its affiliates. For purposes of this section, the ownership of interests in a broadly based mutual fund shall not constitute ownership of the stocks held by the fund, and Employee shall not be deemed to "own" an entity if Employee holds less than 2% beneficial ownership interests of a firm, corporation or venture.
- (e) Other Employees. Except as may be required in the performance of Employee's duties hereunder, Employee shall not cause or induce, or attempt to cause or induce, any person now or hereafter employed by the Company or any of its affiliates to terminate such employment. This obligation shall remain in effect while Employee is employed by the Company and for a period of one (1) year thereafter.
- (f) Suppliers. While employed by the Company, and for one (1) year thereafter, Employee shall not cause or induce, or attempt to cause or induce, any person or firm supplying goods, services or credit to the Company or any of its affiliates to diminish or cease furnishing such goods, services or credit.
- (g) Conflict of Interest. While employed by the Company, Employee shall comply with all Company policies regarding actual or apparent conflicts of interest with respect to Employee's duties and obligations to the Company.
- (h) Non-Disparagement. While employed by the Company, and for one (1) year thereafter, Employee shall not in any way undertake to harm, injure or disparage the Company, its officers, directors, employees, agents, affiliates, vendors, products, or customers, or their successors, or in any other way exhibit an attitude of hostility toward them.
- (i) Surrender of Equipment, Books and Records. Employee understands and agrees that all equipment, books, records, customer lists and documents connected with the business of the Company and/or its affiliates are the property of and belong to the Company. Under no circumstances shall Employee remove from the Company's facilities any of the Company's and/or its affiliates' equipment, books, records, documents, lists or any copies of the same without the Company's permission, nor shall Employee make any copies of the Company's and/or its affiliates' books, records, documents or lists for use outside the Company's office except as specifically authorized by the Company. Employee shall return to the Company and/or its affiliates all equipment, books, records, documents and customer lists belonging to the Company and/or its affiliates upon termination of Employee's employment with the Company.

9. RIGHTS UPON A CHANGE IN CONTROL.

- (a) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, if upon or at any time during the term of this Agreement there is a Termination Event (as defined below) that occurs within one (1) year following any Change in Control (as defined in Exhibit A) and Employee provides notice to the Company during that one (1) year period of Employee's intent to terminate his Employment pursuant to this Section 9, then Employee shall be treated as if Employee had been terminated by the Company without substantial cause pursuant to Section 7(a).
- (b) A "Termination Event" shall mean the occurrence of any one or more of the following, and in the absence of Employee's permanent disability (defined in Section 7(d)),

Employee's death, or any of the factors enumerated in Section 7(b) providing for termination by the Company for substantial cause, accompanied by the giving of notice by Employee as described in Section 9(a) of this Agreement:

- (i) the termination or material breach of this Agreement by the Company;
- (ii) a failure by the Company to obtain the assumption of this Agreement by any successor to the Company or any assignee of all or substantially all of the Company's assets or business;
- (iii) any material diminishment in the title, position, duties, responsibilities or status that Employee had with the Company, as a publicly traded entity, immediately prior to the Change in Control;
- (iv) any reduction, limitation or failure to pay or provide any of the compensation, reimbursable expenses, stock options, incentive programs, or other benefits or perquisites provided to Employee under the terms of this Agreement or any other agreement or understanding between the Company and Employee, or pursuant to the Company's policies and past practices as of the date immediately prior to the Change in Control; or
- (v) any requirement that Employee relocate or any assignment to Employee of duties that would make it unreasonably difficult for Employee to maintain the principal residence Employee had immediately prior to the Change in Control.
- (c) In the event of a Change in Control, Employee shall be indemnified by the Company for certain excise tax obligations, as more specifically set forth in Exhibit C to this Agreement.

10. MISCELLANEOUS.

- (a) Assignment. This Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and the successors and assigns of the Company. Employee shall have no right to assign Employee's rights, benefits, duties, obligations or other interests in this Agreement, it being understood that this Agreement is personal to Employee.
- (b) Entire Understanding. This Agreement sets forth the entire understanding of the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and no other representations, warranties or agreements whatsoever as to that subject matter have been made by Employee or the Company. This Agreement shall not be modified, amended or terminated except by another instrument in writing executed by the parties hereto. This Agreement replaces and supersedes any and all prior understandings or agreements between Employee and the Company regarding employment.
- (c) Notices. Any notice, request, demand, or other communication required or permitted hereunder, shall be deemed properly given when actually received or within five (5) days of mailing by certified or registered mail, postage prepaid, to Employee at the address currently on file with the Company, and to the Company at:

Company: Callaway Golf Company

2180 Rutherford Road

Carlsbad, California 92008 Attn: Steven C. McCracken

Senior Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer

or to such other address as Employee or the Company may from time to time furnish, in writing, to the other.

- (d) Headings. The headings of the several sections and paragraphs of this Agreement are inserted solely for the convenience of reference and are not a part of and are not intended to govern, limit or aid in the construction of any term or provision hereof.
- (e) Waiver. Failure of either party at any time to require performance by the other of any provision of this Agreement shall in no way affect that party's rights thereafter to enforce the same, nor shall the waiver by either party of any breach of any provision hereof be held to be a waiver of any succeeding breach of any provision or a waiver of the provision itself.
- (f) Applicable Law. This Agreement shall constitute a contract under the internal laws of the State of California and shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of said state as to both interpretation and performance.
- (g) Severability. In the event any provision or provisions of this Agreement is or are held invalid, the remaining provisions of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby.
- (h) Advertising Waiver. While employed by the Company and for a reasonable time thereafter, Employee agrees to permit the Company and/or its affiliates, and persons or other organizations authorized by the Company and/or its affiliates, to use, publish and distribute advertising or sales promotional literature concerning the products of the Company and/or its affiliates, or the machinery and equipment used in the manufacture thereof, in which Employee's name and/or pictures of Employee taken in the course of Employee's provision of services to the Company and/or its affiliates, appear. Employee hereby waives and releases any claim or right Employee may otherwise have arising out of such use, publication or distribution.
- (i) Employee's Legal Fees. The Company agrees to reimburse Employee for actual and reasonable fees incurred by Employee for legal or other professional services provided with regard to the negotiation and execution of this Agreement, provided that such reimbursement, in the aggregate, shall not exceed \$35,000.
- $\,$ (j) Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts which, when fully executed by the parties, shall be treated as one agreement.

11. IRREVOCABLE ARBITRATION OF DISPUTES.

(a) EMPLOYEE AND THE COMPANY AGREE THAT ANY DISPUTE, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING HEREUNDER OR IN ANY WAY RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT, ITS INTERPRETATION, ENFORCEABILITY, OR APPLICABILITY, OR RELATING TO EMPLOYEE'S EMPLOYMENT, OR THE TERMINATION THEREOF, THAT CANNOT BE RESOLVED BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT OF THE PARTIES SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO BINDING ARBITRATION. THIS INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF FEDERAL, STATE AND/OR LOCAL STATUTES, CLAIMS BASED ON ANY PURPORTED BREACH OF DUTY ARISING IN CONTRACT OR TORT, INCLUDING BREACH OF CONTRACT, BREACH OF THE COVENANT OF GOOD FAITH AND FAIR DEALING, VIOLATION OF PUBLIC POLICY, VIOLATION OF ANY STATUTORY, CONTRACTUAL OR COMMON LAW RIGHTS, BUT EXCLUDING WORKERS' COMPENSATION, UNEMPLOYMENT MATTERS, OR ANY MATTER FALLING WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE STATE LABOR COMMISSIONER. THE PARTIES AGREE THAT ARBITRATION IS THE PARTIES' ONLY RECOURSE FOR SUCH CLAIMS AND HEREBY WAIVE THE RIGHT TO PURSUE SUCH CLAIMS IN ANY OTHER FORUM, UNLESS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW. ANY COURT ACTION INVOLVING A DISPUTE WHICH IS NOT SUBJECT TO ARBITRATION SHALL BE STAYED PENDING ARBITRATION OF ARBITRABLE DISPUTES.

- (b) EMPLOYEE AND THE COMPANY AGREE THAT THE ARBITRATOR SHALL HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO ISSUE PROVISIONAL RELIEF. EMPLOYEE AND THE COMPANY FURTHER AGREE THAT EACH HAS THE RIGHT, PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE SECTION 1281.8, TO APPLY TO A COURT FOR A PROVISIONAL REMEDY IN CONNECTION WITH AN ARBITRABLE DISPUTE SO AS TO PREVENT THE ARBITRATION FROM BEING RENDERED INEFFECTIVE.
- (c) ANY DEMAND FOR ARBITRATION SHALL BE IN WRITING AND MUST BE COMMUNICATED TO THE OTHER PARTY PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION OF THE APPLICABLE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS.
- (d) THE ARBITRATION SHALL BE CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO THE PROCEDURAL RULES STATED IN THE NATIONAL RULES FOR RESOLUTION OF EMPLOYMENT DISPUTES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION ("AAA"). THE ARBITRATION SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN SAN DIEGO BY A FORMER OR RETIRED JUDGE OR ATTORNEY WITH AT LEAST 10 YEARS EXPERIENCE IN EMPLOYMENT-RELATED DISPUTES, OR A NON-ATTORNEY WITH LIKE EXPERIENCE IN THE AREA OF DISPUTE, WHO SHALL HAVE THE POWER TO HEAR MOTIONS, CONTROL DISCOVERY, CONDUCT HEARINGS AND OTHERWISE DO ALL THAT IS NECESSARY TO RESOLVE THE MATTER. THE PARTIES MUST MUTUALLY AGREE ON THE ARBITRATOR. IF THE PARTIES CANNOT AGREE ON THE ARBITRATOR AFTER THEIR BEST EFFORTS, AN ARBITRATOR FROM THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION WILL BE SELECTED PURSUANT TO THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION NATIONAL RULES FOR RESOLUTION OF EMPLOYMENT DISPUTES. THE COMPANY SHALL PAY THE COSTS OF THE ARBITRATOR'S FEES.
- (e) THE ARBITRATION WILL BE DECIDED UPON A WRITTEN DECISION OF THE ARBITRATOR STATING THE ESSENTIAL FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS UPON WHICH THE AWARD IS BASED. THE ARBITRATOR SHALL HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO AWARD DAMAGES, IF ANY, TO THE EXTENT THAT THEY ARE AVAILABLE UNDER APPLICABLE LAW(s). THE ARBITRATION AWARD SHALL BE FINAL AND BINDING, AND MAY BE ENTERED AS A JUDGMENT IN ANY COURT HAVING COMPETENT JURISDICTION. EITHER PARTY MAY SEEK REVIEW PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE SECTION 1286, ET SEQ.
- (f) IT IS EXPRESSLY UNDERSTOOD THAT THE PARTIES HAVE CHOSEN ARBITRATION TO AVOID THE BURDENS, COSTS AND PUBLICITY OF A COURT PROCEEDING, AND THE ARBITRATOR IS EXPECTED TO HANDLE ALL ASPECTS OF THE MATTER, INCLUDING DISCOVERY AND ANY HEARINGS, IN SUCH A WAY AS TO MINIMIZE THE EXPENSE, TIME, BURDEN AND PUBLICITY OF THE PROCESS, WHILE ASSURING A FAIR AND JUST RESULT. THE ARBITRATOR SHALL ALLOW REASONABLE DISCOVERY AS PROVIDED IN THE CALIFORNIA ARBITRATION ACT, BUT SHALL CONTROL THE AMOUNT AND SCOPE OF DISCOVERY.
- (g) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL SURVIVE THE EXPIRATION OR TERMINATION OF THE AGREEMENT, AND SHALL BE BINDING UPON THE PARTIES.

THE PARTIES HAVE READ SECTION 11 AND IRREVOCABLY AGREE TO ARBITRATE ANY DISPUTE IDENTIFIED ABOVE.

/s/ GF (EMPLOYEE) /s/ RSB (COMPANY)

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed effective the date first written above.

EMPLOYEE COMPANY

Callaway Golf Company, a Delaware corporation

/s/ George Fellows By: /s/ Ronald S. Beard

George Fellows Ronald S. Beard

CHANGE IN CONTROL

A "Change in Control" means the following and shall be deemed to occur if any of the following events occurs:

- 1. Any person, entity or group, within the meaning of Section 13(d) or 14(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") but excluding the Company and its affiliates and any employee benefit or stock ownership plan of the Company or its affiliates and also excluding an underwriter or underwriting syndicate that has acquired the Company's securities solely in connection with a public offering thereof (such person, entity or group being referred to herein as a "Person") becomes the beneficial owner (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act) of 30% or more of either the then outstanding shares of Common Stock or the combined voting power of the Company's then outstanding securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors; or
- 2. Individuals who, as of the effective date hereof, constitute the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Incumbent Board") cease for any reason to constitute at least a majority of the Board of Directors of the Company, provided that any individual who becomes a director after the effective date hereof whose election, or nomination for election by the Company's shareholders, is approved by a vote of at least a majority of the directors then comprising the Incumbent Board shall be considered to be a member of the Incumbent Board unless that individual was nominated or elected by any Person having the power to exercise, through beneficial ownership, voting agreement and/or proxy, 20% or more of either the outstanding shares of Common Stock or the combined voting power of the Company's then outstanding voting securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, in which case that individual shall not be considered to be a member of the Incumbent Board unless such individual's election or nomination for election by the Company's shareholders is approved by a vote of at least two-thirds of the directors then comprising the Incumbent Board; or
- 3. Consummation by the Company of the sale or other disposition by the Company of all or substantially all of the Company's assets or a reorganization or merger or consolidation of the Company with any other person, entity or corporation, other than
- (a) a reorganization or merger or consolidation that would result in the voting securities of the Company outstanding immediately prior thereto (or, in the case of a reorganization or merger or consolidation that is preceded or accomplished by an acquisition or series of related acquisitions by any Person, by tender or exchange offer or otherwise, of voting securities representing 5% or more of the combined voting power of all securities of the Company, immediately prior to such acquisition or the first acquisition in such series of acquisitions) continuing to represent, either by remaining outstanding or by being converted into voting securities of another entity, more than 50% of the combined voting power of the voting securities of the Company or such other entity outstanding immediately after such reorganization or merger or consolidation (or series of related transactions involving such a reorganization or merger or consolidation), or
- (b) a reorganization or merger or consolidation effected to implement a recapitalization or reincorporation of the Company (or similar transaction) that does not result in a material change in beneficial ownership of the voting securities of the Company or its successor; or
- 4. Approval by the shareholders of the Company or an order by a court of competent jurisdiction of a plan of liquidation of the Company.

RELEASE OF CLAIMS - GENERAL RELEASE

This Release of Claims - General Release ("Release") is effective as of the date provided for in Section 10 below, and is made by and between GEORGE FELLOWS ("Employee"), pursuant to the Chief Executive Officer Employment Agreement (the "Agreement") to which this document is attached, and CALLAWAY GOLF COMPANY (the "Company"), a Delaware corporation. This Release is entered into in light of the fact that Employee's employment with the Company will terminate and Employee will be eligible to receive Special Severance pursuant to Section 7 of the Agreement.

1. Consideration. In consideration for the payment of Special Severance, Employee agrees to the terms and provisions set forth in this Release.

2. Release.

- (a) Employee hereby irrevocably and unconditionally releases and forever discharges the Company, its predecessors, successors, subsidiaries, affiliates and benefit plans, and each and every past, present and future officer, director, employee, representative and attorney of the Company, its, predecessors, successors, subsidiaries, affiliates and benefit plans, and their successors and assigns (collectively referred to herein as the "Releasees"), from any, every, and all charges, complaints, claims, causes of action, and lawsuits of any kind whatsoever, including, to the extent permitted under the law, all claims which Employee has against the Releasees, or any of them, arising from or in any way related to circumstances or events arising out of Employee's employment by the Company, including, but not limited to, harassment, discrimination, retaliation, failure to progressively discipline Employee, termination of employment, violation of state and/or federal wage and hour laws, violations of any notice requirement, violations of the California Labor Code, or breach of any employment agreement, together with any and all other claims Employee now has or may have against the Releasees through and including Employee's date of termination from the Company, provided, however, that Employee does not waive or release the right to enforce the Agreement, the right to enforce any stock option, restricted stock, retirement, welfare or other benefit plan, agreement or arrangement, or any rights to indemnification or reimbursement, whether pursuant to charter and by-laws of the Company or its affiliates, applicable state laws, D&O insurance policies or otherwise. EMPLOYEE ALSO SPECIFICALLY AGREES AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT EMPLOYEE IS WAIVING ANY RIGHT TO RECOVERY AGAINST RELEASEES BASED ON STATE OR FEDERAL AGE, SEX, PREGNANCY, RACE, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, MARITAL STATUS, RELIGION, VETERAN STATUS, DISABILITY, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, MEDICAL CONDITION OR OTHER ANTI-DISCRIMINATION LAWS, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, TITLE VII, THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, THE CALIFORNIA FAIR HOUSING AND EMPLOYMENT ACT, THE AGE DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT ACT OF 1967, THE FAMILY MEDICAL RIGHTS ACT, THE CALIFORNIA FAMILY RIGHTS ACT OR BASED ON THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OR THE WORKER ADJUSTMENT AND RETRAINING NOTIFICATION ACT, ALL AS AMENDED, WHETHER SUCH CLAIM BE BASED UPON AN ACTION FILED BY EMPLOYEE OR A GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY.
- (b) Employee understands that rights or claims under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 (29 U.S.C. Section 621, et seq.) that may arise after the date this Release is executed are not waived. Nothing in this Release shall be construed to prohibit Employee from exercising Employee's right to file a charge with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or from participating in any investigation or proceeding conducted by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

- (c) Employee understands and agrees that if Employee files such a charge, the Company has the right to raise the defense that the charge is barred by this Release.
- 3. Employee also waives all rights under section 1542 of the Civil Code of the State of California. Section 1542 provides as follows:

A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor.

- 4. Governing Law. This Release shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the internal laws of the State of California.
- 5. Binding Effect. This Release shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns.
 - 6. IRREVOCABLE ARBITRATION OF DISPUTES.
- (a) EMPLOYEE AND THE COMPANY AGREE THAT ANY DISPUTE, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING HEREUNDER OR IN ANY WAY RELATED TO THIS RELEASE, ITS INTERPRETATION, ENFORCEABILITY, OR APPLICABILITY, OR RELATING TO EMPLOYEE'S EMPLOYMENT, OR THE TERMINATION THEREOF, THAT CANNOT BE RESOLVED BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT OF THE PARTIES SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO BINDING ARBITRATION. THIS INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF FEDERAL, STATE AND/OR LOCAL STATUTES, CLAIMS BASED ON ANY PURPORTED BREACH OF DUTY ARISING IN CONTRACT OR TORT, INCLUDING BREACH OF CONTRACT, BREACH OF THE COVENANT OF GOOD FAITH AND FAIR DEALING, VIOLATION OF PUBLIC POLICY, VIOLATION OF ANY STATUTORY, CONTRACTUAL OR COMMON LAW RIGHTS, BUT EXCLUDING WORKERS' COMPENSATION, UNEMPLOYMENT MATTERS, OR ANY MATTER FALLING WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE STATE LABOR COMMISSIONER. THE PARTIES AGREE THAT ARBITRATION IS THE PARTIES' ONLY RECOURSE FOR SUCH CLAIMS AND HEREBY WAIVE THE RIGHT TO PURSUE SUCH CLAIMS IN ANY OTHER FORUM, UNLESS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW. ANY COURT ACTION INVOLVING A DISPUTE WHICH IS NOT SUBJECT TO ARBITRATION SHALL BE STAYED PENDING ARBITRATION OF ARBITRABLE DISPUTES.
- (b) EMPLOYEE AND THE COMPANY AGREE THAT THE ARBITRATOR SHALL HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO ISSUE PROVISIONAL RELIEF. EMPLOYEE AND THE COMPANY FURTHER AGREE THAT EACH HAS THE RIGHT, PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE SECTION 1281.8, TO APPLY TO A COURT FOR A PROVISIONAL REMEDY IN CONNECTION WITH AN ARBITRABLE DISPUTE SO AS TO PREVENT THE ARBITRATION FROM BEING RENDERED INEFFECTIVE.
- (c) ANY DEMAND FOR ARBITRATION SHALL BE IN WRITING AND MUST BE COMMUNICATED TO THE OTHER PARTY PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION OF THE APPLICABLE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS.
- (d) THE ARBITRATION SHALL BE CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO THE PROCEDURAL RULES STATED IN THE NATIONAL RULES FOR RESOLUTION OF EMPLOYMENT DISPUTES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION ("AAA"). THE ARBITRATION SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN SAN DIEGO BY A FORMER OR RETIRED JUDGE OR ATTORNEY WITH AT LEAST 10 YEARS EXPERIENCE IN EMPLOYMENT-RELATED DISPUTES, OR A NON-ATTORNEY WITH LIKE EXPERIENCE IN THE AREA OF DISPUTE, WHO SHALL HAVE THE POWER TO HEAR MOTIONS, CONTROL DISCOVERY, CONDUCT HEARINGS AND OTHERWISE DO ALL THAT IS NECESSARY TO RESOLVE THE MATTER. THE PARTIES MUST MUTUALLY AGREE ON THE ARBITRATOR. IF THE PARTIES CANNOT AGREE ON THE ARBITRATOR AFTER THEIR BEST EFFORTS, AN ARBITRATOR FROM THE JUDICIAL ARBITRATION AND MEDIATION

SERVICE WILL BE SELECTED PURSUANT TO THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION NATIONAL RULES FOR RESOLUTION OF EMPLOYMENT DISPUTES. THE COMPANY SHALL PAY THE COSTS OF THE ARBITRATOR'S FEES.

- (e) THE ARBITRATION WILL BE DECIDED UPON A WRITTEN DECISION OF THE ARBITRATOR STATING THE ESSENTIAL FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS UPON WHICH THE AWARD IS BASED. THE ARBITRATOR SHALL HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO AWARD DAMAGES, IF ANY, TO THE EXTENT THAT THEY ARE AVAILABLE UNDER APPLICABLE LAW(s). THE ARBITRATION AWARD SHALL BE FINAL AND BINDING, AND MAY BE ENTERED AS A JUDGMENT IN ANY COURT HAVING COMPETENT JURISDICTION. EITHER PARTY MAY SEEK REVIEW PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE SECTION 1286, ET SEQ.
- (f) IT IS EXPRESSLY UNDERSTOOD THAT THE PARTIES HAVE CHOSEN ARBITRATION TO AVOID THE BURDENS, COSTS AND PUBLICITY OF A COURT PROCEEDING, AND THE ARBITRATOR IS EXPECTED TO HANDLE ALL ASPECTS OF THE MATTER, INCLUDING DISCOVERY AND ANY HEARINGS, IN SUCH A WAY AS TO MINIMIZE THE EXPENSE, TIME, BURDEN AND PUBLICITY OF THE PROCESS, WHILE ASSURING A FAIR AND JUST RESULT. IN PARTICULAR, THE PARTIES EXPECT THAT THE ARBITRATOR WILL LIMIT DISCOVERY BY CONTROLLING THE AMOUNT OF DISCOVERY THAT MAY BE TAKEN (E.G., THE NUMBER OF DEPOSITIONS OR INTERROGATORIES) AND BY RESTRICTING THE SCOPE OF DISCOVERY ONLY TO THOSE MATTERS CLEARLY RELEVANT TO THE DISPUTE. HOWEVER, AT A MINIMUM, EACH PARTY WILL BE ENTITLED TO AT LEAST ONE DEPOSITION AND SHALL HAVE ACCESS TO ESSENTIAL DOCUMENTS AND WITNESSES AS DETERMINED BY THE ARBITRATOR.
- (g) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL SURVIVE THE EXPIRATION OR TERMINATION OF THE RELEASE, AND SHALL BE BINDING UPON THE PARTIES.

THE PARTIES HAVE READ SECTION 6 AND IRREVOCABLY AGREE TO ARBITRATE ANY DISPUTE IDENTIFIED ABOVE.

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- 7. Counterparts. This Release may be executed in one or more counterparts which, when fully executed by the parties, shall be treated as one agreement.
- 8. Advice of Counsel. The Company hereby advises Employee in writing to discuss this Release with an attorney before executing it. Employee further acknowledges that the Company will provide Employee twenty-one (21) days within which to review and consider this Release before signing it. Should Employee decide not to use the full twenty-one (21) days, then Employee knowingly and voluntarily waives any claims that he was not in fact given that period of time or did not use the entire twenty-one (21) days to consult an attorney and/or consider this Release.
- 9. Right to Revoke. The parties acknowledge and agree that Employee may revoke this Release for up to seven (7) calendar days following Employee's execution of this Release and that it shall not become effective or enforceable until the revocation period has expired. The parties further acknowledge and agree that such revocation must be in writing addressed to Steven C. McCracken, Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Legal Officer, Callaway Golf Company, 2180 Rutherford Road, Carlsbad, California 92008, and received no later than midnight on the seventh day following the execution of this Release by Employee. If Employee revokes this Release under this section, it shall not be effective or enforceable, and Employee will not receive the consideration described in Section 1 above.
- 10. Effective Date. If Employee does not revoke this Release in the timeframe specified in Section 9 above, the Release shall become effective at 12:01 a.m. on the eighth day after it is fully executed by the parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Release on the dates set forth below, to be effective as of the date set forth in Section 10 above.

EMPLOYEE

COMPANY
Callaway Golf Company, a Delaware corporation

By:

George Fellows

[Authorized Signature]

Dated:

11. Severability. In the event any provision or provisions of this Release is or are held invalid, the remaining provisions of this Release shall

not be affected thereby.

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TAX INDEMNIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 9(c) of Employee's Employment Agreement ("Section 9"), the Company agrees to indemnify Employee with respect to certain excise tax obligations as follows:

- 1. Definitions. For purposes of Section 9 and this Exhibit C, the following terms shall have the meanings specified herein:
- (a) "Claim" shall mean any written claim (whether in the form of a tax assessment, proposed tax deficiency or similar written notification) by the Internal Revenue Service or any state or local tax authority that, if successful, would result in any Excise Tax or an Underpayment.
- (b) "Code" shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. All references herein to any section, subsection or other provision of the Code shall be deemed to refer to any successor thereto.
- (c) "Excise Tax" shall mean (i) any excise tax imposed by Section 4999 of the Code or any comparable federal, state or local tax, and (ii) any interest and/or penalties incurred with respect to any tax described in Section 1(c)(i) above.
- (d) Gross-Up Payment shall mean a cash payment as specified in Section 2 of this Exhibit C.
- (e) "Overpayment" and "Underpayment" shall have the meanings specified in Section 4 of this Exhibit C.
- (f) "Payment" shall mean any payment, benefit or distribution (including, without limitation, cash, the acceleration of the granting, vesting or exercisability of stock options or other incentive awards, or the accrual or continuation of any other payments or benefits) granted or paid to or for the benefit of Employee by the Company or by any person or persons whose actions result in a Taxable Event (as defined in this Section), or by any person affiliated with the Company or such person(s), whether paid or payable pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Payment shall not include any Gross-Up Payment required under Section 9 and this Exhibit C
- (g) "Taxable Event" shall mean any change in control or other event which triggers the imposition of any Excise Tax on any Payment.
- 2. In the event that any Payment is determined to be subject to any Excise Tax, then Employee shall be entitled to receive from the Company a Gross-Up Payment in an amount such that, after the payment of all income taxes, Excise Taxes and any other taxes imposed with respect to the Gross-Up Payment (together with payment of all interest and penalties imposed with respect to any such taxes), Employee shall retain a net amount of the Gross-Up Payment equal to the Excise Tax imposed with respect to the Payments.
- 3. All determinations required to be made under Section 9 and this Exhibit C, including, without limitation, whether and when a Gross-Up Payment is required and the amount of such Gross-Up Payment, and the assumptions to be utilized in arriving at such determinations, shall be made by a mutually agreed upon nationally recognized accounting firm that is not serving as accountant or auditor for the individual, entity or group effecting the Taxable Event to which a possible Gross-Up Payment is related (the "Accounting Firm"). The Accounting Firm shall provide detailed supporting

calculations to the Company and to Employee regarding the amount of Excise Tax (if any) which is payable, and the Gross-Up Payment (if any) required hereunder, with respect to any Payment or Payments, with such calculations to be provided at such time as may be requested by the Company, but in no event later than fifteen (15) business days following receipt of a written notice from Employee that there has been a Payment that may be subject to an Excise Tax. All fees and expenses of the Accounting Firm shall be borne solely by the Company. Any Gross-Up Payment as determined pursuant to Section 9 and this Exhibit C shall be paid by the Company to Employee within five (5) business days after receipt of the Accounting Firm's determination. If the Accounting Firm determines that no Excise Tax is payable by Employee, the Accounting Firm shall furnish Employee with a written opinion that failure to disclose, report or pay the Excise Tax on Employee's federal or other applicable tax returns will not result in the imposition of a negligence penalty, understatement penalty or other similar penalty. All determinations by the Accounting Firm shall be binding upon the Company and Employee in the absence of clear and indisputable mathematical error. Following receipt of a Gross-Up Payment as provided herein, Employee shall be obligated to properly and timely report his Excise Tax liability on the applicable tax returns or reports and to pay the full amount of Excise Tax with funds provided through such Gross-Up Payment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Company reasonably determines that the Employee will be unable or otherwise may fail to make such Excise Tax payment, the Company may elect to pay the Excise Tax to the Internal Revenue Service and/or other applicable tax authority on behalf of the Employee, in which case the Company shall pay the net balance of the Gross-Up Payment (after deduction of such Excess Tax payment) to the Employee.

- 4. As a result of uncertainty in the application of Section 4999 of the Code, it is possible that a Gross-Up Payment will not have been made by the Company that should have been made (an "Underpayment") or that a Gross-Up Payment is made that should not have been made (an "Overpayment"). In the event that Employee is required to make a payment of any Excise Tax, due to an Underpayment, the Accounting Firm shall determine the amount of Underpayment that has occurred and any such Underpayment shall be promptly paid by the Company to Employee in which case Employee shall be obligated to make a timely payment of the full amount of the applicable Excise Tax to the applicable tax authority, provided, however, the Company may elect to pay the Excise Tax to the applicable tax authority on behalf of Employee consistent with the provisions of Section 3 of this Exhibit C, in which case the Company shall pay the net balance of the Underpayment (after deduction of such Excise Tax payment) to Employee. In the event that the Accounting Firm determines that an Overpayment has been made, any such Overpayment shall be repaid by Employee to the Company within ninety (90) days after written demand to Employee by the Company, provided, however, that Employee shall have no obligation to repay any amount of the Overpayment that has been paid to, and not recovered from, a tax authority, provided further, however, in such event the Company may direct Employee to prosecute a claim for a refund of such amount consistent with the principles set forth in Section 5 of this Exhibit C.
- 5. Employee shall notify the Company in writing of any Claim. Such notice (a) shall be given as soon as practicable, but in no event later than fifteen (15) business days, following Employee's receipt of written notice of the Claim from the applicable tax authority, and (b) shall include a compete and accurate copy of the tax authority's written Claim or otherwise fully inform the Company of the nature of the Claim and the date on which any payment of the Claim must be paid, provided that Employee shall not be required to give notice to the Company of facts of which the Company is already aware, and provided further that failure or delay by Employee to give such notice shall not constitute a breach of Section 9 or this Exhibit C except to the extent that the Company is prejudiced thereby. Employee shall not pay any portion of a Claim prior to the earlier of (a) the expiration of thirty (30) days following the date on which Employee gives the foregoing notice to the Company, (b) the date that any Excise Tax payment under the Claim is due, or (c) the date the Company notifies Employee that it does not intend to contest the Claim. If, prior to expiration of such period, the Company notifies Employee in writing that it desires to contest the Claim, Employee shall:

- (a) give the Company any information reasonably requested by the Company relating to the Claim;
- (b) take such action in connection with contesting the Claim as the Company shall reasonably request in writing from time to time, including, without limitation, accepting legal representation with respect to the Claim by an attorney selected and compensated by the Company who is reasonably acceptable to Employee;
- (c) cooperate with the Company in good faith in order to effectively contest the Claim ; and
- (d) permit the Company to participate (at its expense) in any and all proceedings and conferences pertaining to the Claim;

provided, however, that the Company shall bear and pay directly all costs and expenses (including, without limitation, additional interest and penalties and fees) incurred in connection with any such contest, and shall indemnify and hold Employee harmless, on an after-tax basis, for any Excise Tax or income tax (including, without limitation, interest and penalties with respect thereto) and all costs imposed or incurred in connection with such contests. Without limitation upon the foregoing provisions of this Section 5, and except as provided below, the Company shall control all proceedings concerning any such contest and, at its sole option, may pursue or forego any and all administrative appeals, proceedings, hearings and conferences with tax authorities pertaining to the Claim. At the written request of the Company, and upon payment to Employee of an amount at least equal to the Claim plus any additional amount necessary to obtain the jurisdiction of the appropriate tribunal and/or court, Employee shall pay the same and sue for a refund or otherwise contest the Claim in any permissible manner as directed by the Company. Employee agrees to prosecute any contest of a Claim to a determination before any administrative tribunal, in a court of initial jurisdiction and in one or more appellate courts, as the Company shall determine, provided, however, that if the Company requests Employee to pay the Claim and sue for a refund, the Company shall indemnify and hold Employee harmless, on an after-tax basis, from any Excise Tax or income tax (including, without limitation, interest and penalties with respect thereto) and costs imposed or incurred in connection with such contest or with respect to any imputed income attributable to any advances or payments by the Company hereunder. Any extension of the statute of limitations relating to assessment of any Excise Tax for the taxable year of Employee which is the subject of a Claim is to be limited solely to the Claim. Furthermore, the Company's control of a contest as provided hereunder shall be limited to issues for which a Gross-Up Payment would be payable hereunder, and Employee shall be entitled to settle or contest, as the case may be, any other issue raised by the Internal Revenue Service or any other tax authority.

6. If Employee receives a refund from a tax authority of all or any portion of an Excise Tax paid by or on behalf of Employee with amounts advanced by the Company pursuant to Section 9 and this Exhibit C, Employee shall promptly pay to the Company the amount of such refund (together with any interest paid or credited thereon after taxes applicable thereto). Employee shall, if so directed by the Company, file and otherwise prosecute a claim for refund of any Excise Tax payment made by or on behalf of Employee with amounts advanced by the Company pursuant to Section 9 and this Exhibit C, with any such refund claim to be effected in accordance with the principles set forth in Section 5 of this Exhibit C. If a determination is made that Employee shall not be entitled to any refund and the Company does not notify Employee in writing of its intent to contest such denial of refund prior to the expiration of thirty (30) days after such determination, then Employee shall have no further obligation hereunder to contest such denial or to repay to the Company the amount involved in such unsuccessful refund claim. The amount of any advances which are made by the Company in connection with any such refund claim hereunder, to the extent not refunded by the applicable tax

authority to Employee, shall offset, as appropriate consistent with the purposes of Section 9 and this Exhibit C, the amount of any Gross-Up Payment required hereunder to be paid by the Company to Employee.

George Fellows

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CALLAWAY GOLF COMPANY APPOINTS NEW CEO AND DIRECTOR

CARLSBAD, CA - August 1, 2005 - Callaway Golf Company (NYSE: ELY) today announced that the Board of Directors has appointed George Fellows as President and CEO of the Company, and has also elected Mr. Fellows to serve as a Director. All appointments are effective August 1, 2005. William C. Baker, who has served as interim CEO and Chairman since August of 2004, will remain as a Director, but has stepped down from both offices effective on the same day. Ronald S. Beard, the Company's lead independent director, was elected to succeed Mr. Baker as Chairman.

"The Board has worked very hard to coordinate its search for a new CEO with its ongoing review of strategic opportunities, and that hard work has paid off by bringing to us a terrific leader in George Fellows," said Mr. Beard. "Mr. Fellows is a skilled operator who has a track record of building shareholder value in numerous consumer brand businesses. In particular, his expertise in marketing and brand building is expected to help us continue to build strength in all of the Company's four major golf brands - Callaway Golf, Odyssey, Top-Flite and Ben Hogan. Mr. Fellows has shown the ability to motivate employees, understand customers and consumers, and build strong supply chain relationships - all of which have contributed to a well deserved reputation as someone who can build shareholder value inside a company. We feel that he is the ideal candidate to work with the Board, the existing management team and our employees to accomplish our goals going forward."

"The Board is also very grateful to Bill Baker for stepping forward last year to assist us during this period of transition," Mr. Beard continued. "Bill's efforts and service have given us the time to conduct a full and complete process, which resulted in our outstanding new CEO."

Mr. Fellows has been engaged in his own consulting business in New York since 2000, serving as a senior advisor to Investcorp and JPMorgan Partners. Prior to that time he served as President and CEO of Revlon, Inc. He serves on the board of directors of VF Corporation.

"I have gotten to know and understand Callaway Golf and its great brands through the selection process, and I am happy to be joining the team as we build value in the business going forward," said Mr. Fellows. "I am very excited about the Company and its prospects. Its efforts this year, including its great new products, have created a positive momentum in the marketplace behind the Company and its brands that we can build upon. I see a very bright future for Callaway Golf Company, and I appreciate the opportunity to play an important part in that future."

"I join the Board in welcoming George Fellows to our team, and express my thanks for the opportunity to have served an expanded role at the Company these last twelve months," said Mr. Baker. "George takes the helm at a time when our recent results have shown a positive change from where we were a year ago. We all look forward to working with George to continue this process."

Statements in this press release that relate to future plans, events or prospects, including statements relating to future competitive position, are forward-looking statements as defined under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements involve a number of risks and uncertainties and actual results may differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements. The factors that may cause such differences include, but are not limited to, the ability of the Company to identify and execute viable strategic alternatives; delays, difficulties or unanticipated costs in integrating recently acquired Top-Flite Golf assets, brands and businesses; overall economic conditions and other business factors. For additional information concerning these and other risks and uncertainties, see Part I, Item 2 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2005, as well as other risks and uncertainties detailed from time to time in the Company's reports on Forms 10-K, 10-Q and 8-K subsequently filed from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date hereof. The Company undertakes no obligation to republish revised forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

Through an unwavering commitment to innovation, Callaway Golf creates products and services designed to make every golfer a better golfer. Callaway Golf Company manufactures and sells golf clubs and golf balls, and sells golf accessories, under the Callaway Golf(R), Top-Flite(R), Odyssey(R) and Ben Hogan(R) brands. For more information visit www.callawaygolf.com.