

Evonik Corporation Donates \$5,000 To Horsham, Pa., Fire Department Funding To Be Used For Hurricane Sandy Recovery Efforts

HORSHAM, Pa., January 15, 2013 - Evonik Corporation has donated \$5,000 to Horsham Fire Company #1, with officials praising the department's dedication to the community and assistance with Hurricane Sandy relief initiatives.

"Fortunately, none of our employees were injured during the storm," said Doug Placek, president of Evonik Oil Additives USA, Inc. and Horsham site coordinator. "We appreciate the fire department's commitment to keeping our employees and neighbors safe. Our workers have a sense of security because of their efforts. We know we can count on them if any situation arises requiring their services. We conduct annual response training with the Horsham Fire Department and are very grateful for the quality protection and care they provide."

Hurricane Sandy, the largest tropical storm recorded in the Atlantic, made landfall in the United States on October 29 with winds of 80 mph. The death toll in the United States is more than 100. Sandy is estimated to have caused billions of dollars in property damage and lost business, making it one of the costliest natural disasters on record in the United States.

"Corporate citizenship is the cornerstone of Evonik's operations," said Tom Bates, president of Evonik Corporation. "Evonik is actively involved in helping make the quality of life in local communities better by participating in non-profit, charitable and community organizations. We appreciate the emergency responders' dedication and commitment to the protection and care of our employees and neighbors. This is our chance to give back to the community."

In recent years, Evonik has provided relief and direct rebuilding efforts following natural disasters such as hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Ike on the U.S. Gulf Coast, as well as tsunami and earthquakes in Asia Pacific.

Evonik's Horsham, Pa. facility manufactures high-performance lubricant additives and synthetic base fluids for use in automotive and industrial lubricants. The Occupational

Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has awarded its Voluntary Protection Programs Star certificate to this site, which recognizes employers and workers in the private industry who have implemented effective safety and health management systems and maintain injury rates below national Bureau of Labor Statistics averages.

Evonik is a specialty chemical company that creates essential ingredients for every day life. The company's products are included in such items as toothpaste, shower gel and shampoo. Evonik's silanes are essential raw materials in the electronics and telecommunications industries, while the company's silica and silane components are blended into rubber to make environmentally-friendly tires. Other products include fumed silicas used for coatings, adhesives and in the manufacture of cosmetics, pharmaceuticals, defoamers, pesticides, inks and batteries. Evonik is also a leading manufacturer of amino acids, having produced over one million tons of the animal feed additive Biolys® since 2000.

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Company information

Evonik, the creative industrial group from Germany, is one of the world leaders in specialty chemicals. Its activities focus on the key megatrends health, nutrition, resource efficiency and globalization. Profitable growth and a sustained increase in the value of the company form the heart of Evonik's corporate strategy. Evonik benefits specifically from its innovative prowess and integrated technology platforms.

Evonik is active in over 100 countries around the world. In fiscal 2011 more than 33,000 employees generated sales of around €14.5 billion and an operating profit (adjusted EBITDA) of about €2.8 billion.

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