



Evonik Cyro's Sanford, Maine Facility Raises Over \$29,000 For The United Way Company Continues Long Standing Support Of Sanford Community

SANFORD, Maine, June 27, 2012 – Employees at Evonik Cyro's Sanford, Maine, site raised \$29,071 for the United Way of York County through employee donations, company contributions and employee sponsored special events.

"Evonik is a tremendous asset to the southern Maine community and our organization," said Kathryn Davis, president and CEO of United Way of York County. "Not only is the enthusiasm of Evonik employees contagious, but the company's generosity and volunteers' contributions are critical in helping us achieve our goals to improve the quality of life here."

More than 60% of site employees participated in the charity campaign, donating \$14,598 in addition to Evonik's contribution of \$13,000. Along with the donations, site employees held several events including an auction of surplus equipment from Evonik generating over \$1,000.

The Sanford site has been a strong supporter of the United Way for many years. United Way officials estimate the company and employees have donated a combined contribution of over a million dollars since the facility was established in 1976.

"It's a pleasure to be able to support an organization that means so much to our community," said Drew Scott, site manager of Evonik's Sanford facility. "I am incredibly proud of our employees who went above and beyond to make this possible. Their ongoing commitment to the community is commendable and should serve as an inspiration to others."

"The plants' United Way committee has always found ways to make the campaign fun and interesting. They are the driving force behind the successful fundraiser. Some of the past activities have included silent auctions, raffles, car washes and a prize called 'Ride to Work with the Plant Manager'," added Scott.

The United Way of York County is a non-profit organization supporting over 32 agencies in the area. The United Way creates opportunities by focusing on the building blocks of a good life: education, financial stability and healthy foundations for the community.

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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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