

Evonik Honors Award of Excellence Winners at 25th Annual Celebration Osceola-based Employees Earn Company's Highest Award

OSCEOLA, Ark., AR, June 4, 2012 – Two Osceola-based employees of Evonik's Performance Polymers business unit, Robert Jefferson and Micheal Moore, were recently honored as 25th Year Award of Excellence winners with an all expense-paid weekend in New York City on April 13-15, 2012.

The Matt Taylor Award of Excellence, initiated in 1987, is the highest, most prestigious recognition an employee of Evonik's Performance Polymers Business Unit can earn. Throughout the last 25 years this program has recognized 309 employees who have proactively contributed to key areas of the business. The award recipients represent the principles and values to which Evonik is committed. These include never-ending quality improvement, teamwork and meticulous attention to detail.

Robert Jefferson, with 16 years of service, is the Accident Prevention Process Facilitator at Evonik's Osceola plant at 1500 Richard Prewitt Drive. Michael Moore, is Maintenance Mechanic and has 13 years of service with the company. Their outstanding performance and current accomplishments have contributed significantly to Evonik's success.

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Photo caption: Robert Jefferson and Micheal Moore at the Awards Dinner held at the Harvard Club in New York City, April 13.

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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