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Safety Professionals Gain Access to Broader MSC Safety Portfolio, Training, Expertise

Leading distributor expands personal protective equipment and facility safety offerings

MELVILLE, NY (Oct. 28, 2013) —MSC Industrial Supply Co. (NYSE: MSM), a leading provider of safety solutions, has added more than 3,000 personal protective equipment (PPE) and facility safety products to its safety portfolio. The goal is to make it even easier for safety professionals to quickly find, buy and correctly use the highest quality safety solutions at exceptional value from one supplier.

"Safety managers and directors today have more responsibility than ever – from juggling increased workloads to creating stronger safety cultures within their companies," said Anthony Testa, business manager for MSC. "We're trying to make it simple for customers to keep their teams and their facilities safe by continuously offering more product choices and providing unmatched service and support."

With more than 500 brands represented, MSC customers have access to thousands of top trusted safety products, including Ansell[®] work gloves, chemical resistant gloves and aprons; 3M[™] eye and face protection, respiratory equipment and hearing protection; Kimberly-Clark Professional[®] protective clothing and industrial wipes; PRO-SAFE[®] hand and arm protection, traffic safety products, ear plugs and eyewash stations; JUSTRITE[®] fire protection, safety and flammable drum cabinets; and National Marker industrial label printers, lock-out/tag-out products and a full suite of identification products.

In addition to its extensive selection of safety products, MSC offers specialized support and certified safety training. The company's expert safety technical team is readily available to answer questions and offer product recommendations based on each customer's specific criteria. MSC also helps customers increase productivity and reduce costs by leveraging its technical support, supply chain expertise and next-day delivery on over 600,000 instock items.

While MSC is a leading supplier of PPE and facility safety products, the company also provides customers with the industry's broadest selection of metalworking and MRO products, as well as value-added services, including inventory management solutions, metalworking technical support and MRO supply chain expertise. "Everything we do at MSC focuses on optimizing customers' operations and giving them greater visibility to better compete in today's challenging marketplace," Testa said. "We essentially work as an extension of our customers' businesses, helping them cut costs and become more efficient."

Customers can view and purchase MSC's PPE and facility safety products directly from mscdirect.com/safety. The company will also launch a new 2013/2014 safety catalog in print and online (available December 2013).

About MSC Industrial Supply Co.

MSC Industrial Supply Co. is one of the largest distributors of metalworking and maintenance, repair and operations ("MRO") supplies to industrial customers throughout the United States. MSC employs one of the industry's largest sales forces and distributes approximately 600,000 industrial products from approximately 3,000 suppliers. In-stock availability is approximately 99%, with next day standard delivery to the contiguous United States on qualifying orders up until 8 p.m. Eastern Time. For more information, visit MSC's website at mscdirect.com.