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Philanthropy Day 2010

Good People, Good Causes

MSC INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY CO. INC. PRESENTED WITH OUTSTANDING CORPORATION AWARD AT PHILANTHROPY DAY 2010

FARMINGDALE, NY – December 6, 2010 – The Association of Fundraising Professionals Long Island Chapter (AFPLI) is pleased to announce that MSC Industrial Supply Co, Inc. (MSC), based in Melville, NY was honored at the Awards Luncheon of Philanthropy Day 2010 held on Friday, November 19th. MSC received the Outstanding Corporation Award, which recognizes a corporation that demonstrates outstanding commitment through financial support, and activity that encourages and motivates others to respond philanthropically to the Long Island community of not-for-profit organizations.

“We are honored that AFPLI has selected MSC as the recipient of the 2010 Outstanding Corporation Award,” said Erik Gershwind, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of MSC. “Giving back to the community is part of our core values, and a standard of our culture. This award is very special because it is a testament to our associates’ passion for supporting our communities.”

MSC associates are encouraged to participate on various cross-functional teams that help further the company’s Corporate Citizenship efforts. These teams carry on the tradition of giving and corporate social responsibility established by the company’s founder, Sidney Jacobson, and expanded upon by his son, Mitchell Jacobson, Chairman of MSC’s Board of Directors. Today, under David Sandler’s leadership as MSC’s President and CEO, the company and its associates are proud to continue their founder’s legacy by partnering with non-profit organizations and supporting their communities at large.

Other honorees recognized at the Philanthropy Day luncheon include: **Joseph Mancino**, The *Horace Hagedorn* Outstanding Philanthropist Award; **Frank Pelliccione**, Outstanding Fundraising Volunteer of the Year; **Alan J. Kelly**, Outstanding Fundraising Professional; **Ann McDermott-Kave**, The *Gilbert Tilles* Award ; **Kyle Orent**, Leaders of Tomorrow.

“The dedication to support the less fortunate by professionals, volunteers, corporations and individuals makes our community strong and demonstrates that we place a high value on a culture of caring, particularly for those who are less fortunate and cannot take full advantage of all Long Island has to offer,” said Patricia Chambers Daly, Chairperson of Philanthropy Day 2010 and Director of Development for the Dominican Sisters of Amityville. “This year we are pleased to present an especially dynamic group of honorees, and we are proud to recognize their efforts and celebrate their accomplishments.”

Philanthropy Day is celebrated in November in cities across America. Fundraising professionals, board members, business leaders, community activists and individuals gather for professional development and to honor their leaders. Long Island’s Philanthropy Day is one of the largest one-day fundraising conferences in the country and regularly attracts more than 700 attendees and 60 exhibitors, with the highlight of the day being the Awards Luncheon.

For information on corporate sponsorships, to become an exhibitor or information on conference enrollment, contact Joan Connor at info@afpli.org or 631-249-5008.

About AFPLI

AFPLI is Long Island's professional affiliation for those in the fundraising field or whose positions require fundraising expertise. Throughout the year, it offers a wide array of programs and services that include monthly educational seminars, scholarships, mentoring, a speaker's bureau, certification programs, a job bank, and its celebrated Philanthropy Day Conference and Awards Luncheon. For the second year in a row, AFPLI has won the 10 Star Chapter Award, presented by the Association of Fundraising Professionals to chapters that have accomplished significant membership growth and chapter success. Please visit www.afpli.org for information and news.

AFP represents more than 30,000 members in 207 chapters throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico. AFP promotes the spirit of philanthropy and empowers professionals in the not-for-profit sector to serve humankind. The Association fosters development and growth of fundraising professionals, promotes high ethical standards in the fundraising profession and encourages public understanding.

About MSC Industrial Direct Co., Inc.

MSC Industrial Direct Co., Inc. is one of the largest direct marketers and premier distributors of Metalworking and Maintenance, Repair and Operations ("MRO") supplies to industrial customers throughout the United States. MSC distributes approximately 600,000 industrial products from approximately 3,000 suppliers to approximately 320,000 customers. In-stock availability is approximately 99%, with next day standard delivery to the contiguous United States on qualifying orders up until 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time. MSC reaches its customers through a combination of approximately 22 million direct-mail catalogs, 96 branch sales offices, 973 sales people, the Internet and associations with some of the world's most prominent B2B eCommerce portals. For more information, visit the Company's website at <http://www.mscdirect.com>.

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