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**MSC Industrial Direct Co., Inc.'s Atlanta
Fulfillment Center Receives The
Prestigious Georgia Partnership In Safety Award**

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Mableton, Georgia. (December 4, 2007). On November 7th, 2007, MSC Industrial Direct co., Inc.'s ("MSC") Atlanta, Georgia facility received the prestigious Georgia Partnership In Safety Award for Outstanding Safety Performance in 2006. The award was presented by the Georgia Department of Labor in a ceremony that took place at the Georgia Safety Health and Environmental Conference in Savannah, Georgia. This is the second consecutive year that MSC Atlanta has been recognized with this award.

The Georgia Department of Labor annually recognizes the top performing companies in the area of outstanding safety performance. There are over 200,000 employers in the state of Georgia and MSC Atlanta was one of six companies recognized from among that group based on their dedication, commitment and involvement of both their management and workforce, and their remarkable results. One of the key measurement criteria for the award requires employers to document that they've experienced at least 250 workdays during a calendar year with no missed days of work due to workplace injuries or illness. Another key factor in earning this award was MSC Atlanta's partnership with Chubb to perform ergonomics evaluations, conduct an incidents and injuries reporting training session, develop and implement Safety Team best practices and to perform quarterly loss control visits. As a result of the significant increase in safety, MSC Atlanta also received the Chubb Safety Award for Outstanding Loss Control Efforts in 2006.

When asked to comment on MSC's focus on safety and the Georgia Partnership In Safety Award, MSC Atlanta's Regional Environmental Safety and Health Manager, Brian Nulty, stated, "All the efforts that MSC Atlanta performed in 2006 have not only impacted the safety of Associates in a positive way, but have also assisted MSC in saving record amounts in Worker's Compensation Costs. Most notably we have achieved an incidence recordable rate 27% below the industry average (as measured by NAICS CODE 4931). The Atlanta location deserves recognition because their assistance, dedication and participation have played a role in being seen as a

leader in safety across all of our corporate operating units. Other MSC fulfillment locations are implementing the same safety initiatives that have proven so successful in Atlanta and we are seeing the same strong results in those locations.”

When asked about how MSC’s dedication to safety standards directly impacts their customers and Associates Mr. Nulty further commented, “Receiving this award is a true sign of all of our Associates’ commitment to improving safety which is viewed as being equally important as productivity and quality. This dedication to safety and the tremendous reduction in workplace injuries has only served to strengthen Associate morale. Also, increased productivity through the implementation of safety protocols means that we are able to provide maximum service levels to MSC’s customers.”

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