

## Media Information Update April 21, 2020

MSA recognizes the critical need for personal protective equipment (PPE) as we work together in the effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. As a leader in safety, MSA is an essential business and intends to continue operating its manufacturing facilities during times of lockdown or crisis, to the extent practicable, while protecting the health and safety of our workforce.

We do this because many of our customers require protection to continue to work in times of global crisis. This includes first responders, who are tasked with keeping us safe and, in some cases, directly responding to the COVID-19 outbreak. It also includes helping to protect those tasked with keeping our infrastructure functioning, particularly in times of a global emergency.

While disposable respirators – such as N95, FFP1, FFP2 and FFP3 masks – are not manufactured by MSA, we have donated our available supply of these products (sourced from third-party suppliers) to various medical institutions around the world. These donations, totaling more than 140,000 disposable masks, are helping to protect medical professionals and first responders in and around the communities where MSA has operations.

MSA does and will continue to produce advanced air-purifying respirators, such as elastomeric half-mask, full-facepiece respirators and powered air-purifying respirators (PAPRs). These products are an adjacent line connected to MSA's Core portfolio of supplied-air respirators. Many industrial companies, first responder agencies, and healthcare organizations have expressed interest in using these types of respirators because of the global shortage of disposable masks. In response to the COVID-19 Pandemic, MSA has taken steps to increase the production of these respirators within our operations that manufacture these products.

Given the fluidity of the COVID-19 outbreak, we will continue to monitor this situation closely, and adjust as we are able. For the latest information, please visit the MSA Safety website and see our dedicated COVID-19 information area at: <u>https://www.MSAsafety.com/coronavirus</u>.

## About MSA Safety:

Established in 1914, MSA Safety Incorporated is the global leader in the development, manufacture and supply of safety products that protect people and facility infrastructures. Many MSA products integrate a combination of electronics, mechanical systems and advanced materials to protect users against hazardous or life-threatening situations. The company's comprehensive product line is used by workers around the world in a broad range of markets, including the oil, gas and petrochemical industry, the fire service, the construction industry, mining and the military. MSA's core products include self-contained breathing apparatus, fixed gas and flame detection systems, portable gas detection instruments, industrial head protection products, firefighter helmets and protective apparel, and fall protection devices. With 2019 revenues of \$1.4 billion, MSA employs approximately 5,000 people worldwide. The company is headquartered north of Pittsburgh in Cranberry Township, Pa., and has manufacturing operations in the United States, Europe, Asia and Latin America. With more than 40 international locations, MSA realizes approximately half of its revenue from outside North America. For more information visit MSA's web site at <u>www.MSAsafety.com</u>.

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