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Whirlpool Corporation Named to 2015 Dow Jones Sustainability North America Index

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BENTON HARBOR, Mich., Sept. 21, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- Whirlpool Corporation, the number one major home appliance manufacturer in the world has been recognized for its commitment to sustainability and natural resource efficiency with inclusion on the 2015 Dow Jones Sustainability North America Index. The annual review identifies the top scoring companies in 24 industry categories through a comprehensive assessment of economic, environmental and social criteria.



Whirlpool Corporation is the only home appliance manufacturer listed on the North America Index. Companies were evaluated on corporate governance, risk and crisis management, customer relationship management and environmental policy/management system.

"We're honored to have received such an important distinction," said Jeffrey Noel, Corporate Vice President, Communications, Whirlpool Corporation. "With more than 860 million home appliances in the U.S. alone, there is a significant opportunity for the home appliance industry to make a positive impact on our environment. That is one of the reasons we continue to incorporate sustainability initiatives into everything we do, from processes to product development."

Whirlpool Corporation has made numerous strides in sustainability since opening a corporate office for environmental control in 1970. Earlier this year the company also announced plans to use wind turbines to power its manufacturing facility in Findlay, Ohio and was named an Energy Star Partner of the Year.

In 2014 the company introduced the HybridCare™ clothes dryer under the Whirlpool brand, equipped with Hybrid Heat Pump technology and designed to regenerate energy during the drying cycle to reduce energy consumption while providing dryer speed and performance flexibility. In a partnership with Purdue University, Whirlpool Corporation has pioneered a project to retrofit an existing home to achieve net zero water, waste and energy with the ReNEWW House project.

About Whirlpool Corporation

Whirlpool Corporation (NYSE: WHR) is the number one major appliance manufacturer in the world, with approximately \$20 billion in annual sales, 100,000 employees and 70 manufacturing and technology research centers throughout the world in 2014. The company markets *Whirlpool*, *KitchenAid*, *Maytag*, *Consul*, *Brastemp*, *Amana*, *Bauknecht*, *Jenn-Air*, *Indesit* and other major brand names in more than 170 countries. Additional information about the company can be found at WhirlpoolCorp.com, or find us on Twitter at @WhirlpoolCorp.

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