Stryker Facilities Earn LEED(R) Certifications

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KALAMAZOO, Mich., June 14, 2010 /PRNewswire via COMTEX/ --Stryker Corporation (NYSE: SYK) announced today that two of its manufacturing facilities have earned Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED) certifications from the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC). LEED is an internationally recognized green building certification system, developed by the USGBC, which provides a framework for identifying and implementing practical and measurable green building design, construction, operations and maintenance solutions. These certifications recognize Stryker's ongoing, company-wide efforts, many of which began in its European plants, to design and operate its facilities in a more sustainable and responsible manner.

The Company's patient handling and emergency medical equipment manufacturing facility in Portage, Michigan, has earned a Silver designation in the USGBC's LEED rating system for Existing Building Operations & Maintenance (EB: O&M) and is the first manufacturing facility in Michigan to receive the LEED EB: O&M certification, while its manufacturing facility in Suzhou, China, has achieved a Gold designation in the USGBC's LEED rating system for New Construction and is one of only five facilities in China to achieve this rating. The LEED EB: O&M rating system assesses the ability to maximize operational efficiency while minimizing environmental impacts by addressing whole-building cleaning and maintenance issues, water efficiency, energy efficiency, sustainable purchasing, recycling programs, exterior maintenance programs and ongoing indoor air quality. The LEED rating system for New Construction has similar goals that apply to newly built facilities.

Stryker's patient handling and emergency medical equipment building, which contains both manufacturing and divisional headquarters office space, is located in Portage, Michigan. Since its construction in 2005, Stryker has reduced this facility's energy usage by 27 percent through implementing a building operations plan, an energy audit and a retro-commissioning plan. Improvements have included the re-use of pallets, diverting plastic from landfills and overall trash cost reduction.

Stryker's China manufacturing facility is located in East China's Suzhou Industrial Park. The building was constructed with locally available materials high in recycled content. The facility design optimizes use of natural light and employs solar-powered water heating and other environmentally friendly utility systems.

Stryker is one of the world's leading medical technology companies and is dedicated to helping healthcare professionals perform their jobs more efficiently while enhancing patient care. The Company provides innovative orthopaedic implants as well as state-of-the-art medical and surgical equipment to help people lead more active and more satisfying lives. For more information about Stryker, please visit www.stryker.com .

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