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Applied Industrial Technologies Opens New Distribution Center for its Maintenance Supplies & SolutionsSM Business

CLEVELAND, OH (November 12, 2014) – Applied Industrial Technologies (NYSE: AIT) continues its growth and expansion of the Applied Maintenance Supplies & Solutions (Applied MSSSM) business into the Company’s Fontana, California distribution center. This facility will maintain an inventory of tens of thousands of products and ship directly to customers in an 11-state region of the western U.S. The distribution center complements two other Applied MSS regional distribution facilities in Cleveland, OH and Atlanta, GA.

The Applied MSS product line includes more than 40,000 C-Class Maintenance, Repair and Operating (MRO) supplies. Products include fasteners, cutting tools, paints and chemicals, fluid flow, safety, janitorial and much more, with immediate stock availability throughout the Applied MSS distribution network along with access to an additional 250,000 SKUs.

“Our Maintenance Supplies & Solutions business is expanding rapidly, with increased people, products and services,” says Rob Onorato, VP, General Manager – Maintenance Supplies & Solutions. “This modern facility has expandable racking capabilities to meet the growing demand for fast, local delivery of C-Class MRO consumables,” Onorato adds. Applied MSS Specialists are available to lay out a customer’s maintenance shop in a lean, organized format, with product assortment kits and cabinetry that save valuable time and money when looking for parts.

Applied[®] is installing demo vending machines in more than a dozen of its service centers in this region – including its Fontana service center – to support growing interest in its Applied MSS vending solutions. The Company also has additional operations in the Fontana facility, including the Applied distribution center, an Applied rubber shop, and an Applied fluid power subsidiary. Applied MSS plans to hire several new associates to support this location and its growth in the C-Class maintenance supplies business.

A copy of the Applied MSS product catalog is available by contacting customer service at 800-458-4018 or entering a request at: <http://appliedmss.com/catalog.cfm>. More information is available at the Applied Maintenance Supplies & Solutions website at www.AppliedMSS.com

About Applied

With more than 560 facilities and 5,800 employee associates, Applied Industrial Technologies is a leading industrial distributor that offers more than five million parts to serve the needs of MRO and OEM customers in virtually every industry. In addition, Applied provides engineering, design and systems integration for industrial and fluid power applications, as well as customized mechanical, fabricated rubber and fluid power shop services. Applied also offers maintenance training and inventory management solutions that provide added value to its customers. Applied can be visited on the Internet at www.applied.com.

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