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SUBJECT: Phillips Plastics Corporation Multi-Shot raises Green Tier flag

EAU CLAIRE – Phillips Plastics Corporation Multi-Shot today raised a Green Tier flag declaring its commitment to being good stewards of land, air and water as it followed its three sister facilities into the state’s innovative business program linking incentives with enhanced environmental compliance.

Secretary Matt Frank, of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, called the Phillips Plastics Corporation managers and staff genuine role models for other industries and good neighbors to the communities where they work and live.

“By raising the Green Tier flag, they display their vision of Wisconsin’s future as an economic leader where the environment is protected,” Frank said. “Green Tier stands for environmental excellence that supports economic growth.”

Gov. Jim Doyle in 2004 signed Green Tier into law to encourage a collaborative approach to environmental performance between the DNR and Wisconsin businesses. As part of Green Tier, Wisconsin organizations voluntarily commit to reduce their environmental footprints by developing and implementing environmental management systems.

Phillips Plastics Corporation is a state-of-the-art Wisconsin company, specializing in custom injection molding of plastic, metal, ceramic and silicone. Employing 250 people at its 76,750-square-foot facility, Phillips Plastics Multi-Shot manufactures high quality parts and components for a variety of markets, including medical and automotive.

This is Phillips Plastics Corporation’s fourth facility to participate in Green Tier following a facility in New Richmond and two facilities in Menomonie.

The following counties are in the West Central Region: Adams, Buffalo, Chippewa, Clark, Crawford, Dunn, Eau Claire, Jackson, Juneau, La Crosse, Marathon, Monroe, Pepin, Pierce, Portage, St. Croix, Trempealeau, Vernon and Wood. The Public Affairs Manager for DNR West Central Region is Ed Culhane, 715-839-3715.

“Becoming a Green Tier participant is an exciting event for Multi-Shot,” Tom Hanson, Plant Manager at Phillips Plastics Multi-Shot, said. “It recognizes our commitment to running our operations in an environmentally friendly manner and will help preserve our environment for our children and grandchildren. Phillips Plastics is a leader in technology and now, with Multi-Shot being the fourth facility to receive the Green Tier award, it is also a leader in being environmentally responsible.”

The company’s environmental management system, ISO 14001 certified since 2001, focuses on education of our people, waste reduction, recycling and energy use. Energy efficient lighting upgrades have led to a 448,000 kilowatt per year reduction in electrical power consumption.

Like the other Phillips Plastics facilities in Green Tier, Multi-Shot maintains an extensive recycling program to reduce its solid waste. All new projects and parts are reviewed for possible emissions and recyclability. Phillips Plastics people are strongly encouraged to be environmental stewards outside the work place.

Ideas and methods generated by Phillips’ people are used to continually improve environmental performance. Additional Phillips facilities are working to become Green Tier participants.

For information on Green Tier and Phillips Plastics Corporation’s efforts, visit <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/caer/cea/environmental/participants/phillips/index.htm>.