

Air Products Receives 'Supplier Excellence Award' From TSMC

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Fourth Supplier Award Received Since 2002

LEHIGH VALLEY, Pa., Sept. 20 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Air Products (NYSE: APD) announced today that its subsidiary in Taiwan, Air Products San Fu Co. Ltd., has been awarded the "Supplier Excellence Award" for the second consecutive year by Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Limited (TSMC), the largest semiconductor foundry in the world.

This is the fourth award in the past five years as TSMC also gave this recognition to Air Products San Fu in 2002, 2003 and 2005.

TSMC surveys and ranks more than 300 material suppliers in the areas of quality, supply reliability, cost and services provided to the company. Awards are presented to material suppliers in four distinct categories, and Air Products San Fu is recognized in the gas category.

"We are honored to be able to participate in the growth of TSMC since 1993. This is a great accomplishment to receive the supplier award from TSMC, a distinguished customer, again this year. It is a proof of our commitment," said Gerald G. Ermentrout, vice president and general manager, Global Electronics Division, Air Products. "With our recent strategic decision to move our global Electronics business leaders to Asia, we are better positioned to serve our customers with quicker response and solutions."

The award was presented during TSMC's 2006 Supply Chain Management Forum held on September 14, 2006, attended by more than 350 suppliers from the world's leading suppliers in the semiconductor manufacturing industry.

Air Products San Fu supplies all TSMC fabs at both the Hsin Chu and Tainan Science Parks, and TSMC's other locations, with bulk and cylinder electronic specialty gases, MEGASYS(TM) services and GASGUARD(R) gas cabinets.

Air Products (NYSE: APD) serves customers in technology, energy, healthcare and industrial markets worldwide with a unique portfolio of products, services and solutions, providing atmospheric gases, process and specialty gases, performance materials and chemical intermediates. Founded in 1940, Air Products has built leading positions in key growth markets such as semiconductor materials, refinery hydrogen, home healthcare services, natural gas liquefaction, and advanced coatings and adhesives. The company is recognized for its innovative culture, operational excellence and commitment to safety and the environment and is listed in the Dow Jones Sustainability and FTSE4Good Indices. The company has annual revenues of \$8.1 billion, operations in over 30 countries, and over 20,000 employees around the globe. For more information, visit <http://www.airproducts.com>.

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