

## **Air Products Receives “Supplier Excellence Award” from TSMC**

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Air Products (NYSE:APD) announced today that it has been awarded the “Supplier Excellence Award” by Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Limited (TSMC), the largest semiconductor foundry in the world. The award recognizes Air Products’ excellent performance in the areas of gases and chemicals.

The Supplier of the Year Award, which has eight distinct categories, surveys and ranks more than 300 suppliers in the areas of quality, cost, delivery, service, technology, and safety provided to TSMC. The 2009 award marks the fifth time in the last eight years that Air Products has won, and it is the first time the company has been recognized in both the gases and chemicals categories in the same year.

“It is a great honor to receive both the gases and chemicals “Supplier Excellence Award” for the first time. The awards will serve as a real encouragement for our team, as well as an inspiration to continue to improve,” said Mike Hilton, senior vice president and general manager, Electronics and Performance Materials, Air Products. “TSMC’s commitment to lead the growth in semiconductor technology mirrors Air Products’ desire to develop innovations to meet constantly evolving new technology needs.”

The award was presented during TSMC’s 2009 Supply Chain Management Forum held on December 4, 2009, attended by more than 350 representatives from the world’s leading suppliers in the semiconductor manufacturing industry.

Air Products, through its subsidiary in Taiwan, Air Products San Fu, supplies all TSMC’s fabs at the Hsinchu and Tainan Science Parks, as well as other TSMC locations, with bulk and cylinder electronic specialty gases, MEGASYS™ services and GASGUARD® gas cabinets.

Air Products (NYSE:APD) serves customers in industrial, energy, technology and healthcare markets worldwide with a unique portfolio of atmospheric gases, process and specialty gases, performance materials, and equipment and services. 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. In fiscal 2009, Air Products had revenues of \$8.3 billion, operations in over 40 countries, and 18,900 employees around the globe. For more information, visit:

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