

Yazaki Names DuPont as 2016 Green Supplier of the Year

Recognized as Overall Best-in-Class and Raw Materials Commodity Category Winner

Wilmington, Del. ([PRWEB](#)) June 23, 2016 -- Top automotive supplier Yazaki named DuPont the Green Supplier of the Year at its [annual awards ceremony](#) Tuesday, June 7, honoring the company with the Overall Best in Class Award. In addition to the overall award, DuPont also was recognized as an award winner in the raw materials commodity category. DuPont was chosen from Yazaki's top 84 suppliers in North and Central America.

“Yazaki places a very high value on our strategic partners and suppliers and their shared commitment to the environment,” said Ken Pichla, vice president, strategic purchasing, Yazaki. “Together we can affect significant change for a greener tomorrow.”

DuPont's ongoing commitment to environmental stewardship, as well as its strong emphasis on safety and health, contributed to Yazaki's decision to recognize DuPont with both awards. Yazaki completed on-site manufacturing assessments at the Richmond, Virginia, manufacturing site and, after analysis of various programs and practices in place by several DuPont business operating units, selected DuPont as the award recipient. DuPont sets the highest standards for the safe operation of facilities and the protection of the environment, employees, customers and the people of the communities in which they do business. Each year, DuPont publishes an update to their global goals and performance in an annual [Sustainability Progress Report](#).

“DuPont is very proud to achieve this outstanding honor,” said [Randy L. Stone](#), president, DuPont Performance Materials. “This further exemplifies not only our commitment to the environment, but also the high value we place on strengthening our relationship with customers like Yazaki who have an equally strong commitment to sustainability practices.”

Held on June 7, 2016, to honor World Environmental Day, the Yazaki Green Supplier of the Year program recognizes suppliers who have made significant contributions to the preservation of the environment through their manufacturing, production, and delivery processes and have exceeded others in their effort to reduce their impact on the environment. Yazaki established this program in 2007 as the benchmark for all Yazaki companies and affiliates throughout North and Central America.

Yazaki's commitment to the environment spans the globe as the Company's global business segments all aim to support safe and eco-friendly practices. Aside from automotive products, Yazaki produces equipment that support the efficient use of electricity, gas, solar heat, and other energy sources, as well as environmentally-friendly air-conditioning units and additional products and services aimed at reducing environmental impact to local communities.

DuPont Performance Materials (DPM) is a leading innovator of thermoplastics, elastomers, renewably sourced polymers, high-performance parts and shapes, as well as resins that act as adhesives, sealants, and modifiers. DPM supports a globally linked network of regional application development experts who work with customers throughout the value chain to develop innovative solutions in automotive, packaging, construction, consumer goods, electrical/electronics and other industries. For additional information about DuPont Performance Materials, visit <http://plastics.dupont.com>

DuPont (NYSE: DD) has been bringing world-class science and engineering to the global marketplace in the form of innovative products, materials, and services since 1802. The company believes that by collaborating with customers, governments, NGOs, and thought leaders we can help find solutions to such global challenges as providing enough healthy food for people everywhere, decreasing dependence on fossil fuels, and protecting life and the environment. For additional information about DuPont and its commitment to inclusive innovation, please visit <http://www.dupont.com>.

Yazaki Corporation is a global leader in the research, development, and delivery of vehicle power, data, and display for automotive applications. Yazaki produces wire harnesses, power distribution and control products, connectors, driver information displays, hybrid and electric vehicle products, and sensors. Worldwide, the company employs 279,800 people in 45 countries. Yazaki has been committed to the preservation of the environment for 75 years. The company continues this commitment today through the development of advanced electric components for hybrid electric vehicles, the promotion of recycling, and the efficient use of resources. For more information about Yazaki and its vision for a greener tomorrow, log onto <http://www.yazaki-na.com>

World Environment Day is an annual event conducted by the United Nations Environment Program aimed at being the biggest and most widely celebrated global day for positive environmental action. World Environment Day activities take place all year round but climax on June 5 every year, involving everyone from everywhere. World Environment Day celebration began in 1972 and has grown to become the one of the main vehicles through which the UN stimulates worldwide awareness of the environment and encourages political attention and action. For more information, visit their website at <http://www.unep.org/>.

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