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ELKAY® PARTNERS WITH CYSTIC FIBROSIS FOUNDATION

Elkay Employees Help Support the Effort to Find a Cure for Cystic Fibrosis

OAK BROOK, IL – July 2008 – At Elkay, one of the company's core values is "Our Word Is Our Bond," which is defined as honoring our commitments to our customers, employees, suppliers and especially the communities in which we live and work. One example of how Elkay is pursuing this mission within its community is by assisting the Cystic Fibrosis (CF) Foundation in their ongoing efforts to find a cure and improve the lives of those living with cystic fibrosis.

In conjunction with CF Foundation, Elkay developed an employee giving campaign nearly ten years ago that enables the employees of Elkay to donate a portion of their earnings toward the Foundation, which is a non-profit, donor-supported organization. The mission of the CF Foundation is to assure the development of the means to cure and control cystic fibrosis and to improve the quality of life for those with the disease. Cystic Fibrosis is an inherited chronic disease that affects the lungs and digestive system of about 30,000 children and adults in the United States (70,000 worldwide).

The Foundation funds and accredits more than 115 care centers, 95 adult care programs, 50 affiliate programs and has 80 chapters and branches nationwide, making it the leading cystic fibrosis organization in the nation. Thanks to the dedication and backing of its supporters, the CF Foundation is making a difference; today, the advances in research and medical treatments have further enhanced and extended life for children and adults with the disease.

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"Elkay is proud to contribute to such a worthy, efficient and effective organization whose funding provides support for pioneering scientific research, supplies caregivers for those in need and helps to link patients and families to care and support programs," notes Tim Jahnke, president and CEO of Elkay.

For more than 88 years, Elkay has been an innovative manufacturer of stainless steel sinks, water coolers, drinking fountains and faucets for residential and commercial use. Elkay, which is ranked 40th in Crain's Chicago Business list of Chicago's Largest Privately-Held Companies, has more than 5,000 employees in facilities across the United States and select international markets. In 2006 and 2007, Elkay was honored as a Merit Award winner in Interior Design magazine's "Best of the Year" Awards for The Mystic® and Avado® sink designs. Elkay is also a member of key industry associations including the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) and the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID).

Headquartered in Oak Brook, Illinois, Elkay is also the parent company of E.B. Tecnica Mexicana®, Phylrich® International and Elkay Zhuhai. Elkay is America's number one selling stainless steel sink company. The Elkay Manufacturing Cabinetry Division is the fourth largest cabinet manufacturer in the U.S. with its Yorktowne® Cabinetry, Medallion® Cabinetry and Mastercraft® Cabinets holdings.

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