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Medtronic Continues Membership in the Dow Jones Sustainability Index and FTSE4Good Index

Medical Device Leader Recognized for Corporate Sustainability

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Recognizing its leadership in meeting the needs of economic, environmental, and social stakeholders, Medtronic, Inc. (NYSE: MDT) has been named a member company in the North America Dow Jones Sustainability Index (DJSI) and the FTSE4Good Index Series.

"We are honored by our continued inclusion in the DJSI and FTSE4Good Indices," said Bill Hawkins, Medtronic's chairman and CEO. "Our mission to contribute to human welfare with products, therapies and services that help millions of people around the world return to a full life continues to serve as the foundation of everything we do. Promoting a sustainable world is vital to our future and I'm pleased with our continued progress as we advance the Medtronic Mission and create long-term sustainable value for all of our stakeholders."

Medtronic's 2010 Corporate Citizenship Report, "Innovating for a Better World," can be accessed at http://www.medtronic.com/about-medtronic/corporate-responsibility. Medtronic practices progressive environmental stewardship across its businesses and geographies. To accomplish its fiscal year 2013 Environmental Goals, Medtronic sites have set annual objectives to save energy, reduce water use, generate less waste and increase recycling. By achieving these objectives and successful collaboration, Medtronic has already surpassed these goals in reducing waste and emissions as well as energy and water use.

Launched in 1999, the Dow Jones Sustainability Indexes identify best-in-class companies through an integrated assessment of economic, environmental and social criteria with a strong focus on long-term shareholder value, assessing issues such as corporate governance, risk management, branding, climate change mitigation, supply chain standards and labor practices. Currently 70 DJSI licenses are held by asset managers in 16 countries to manage a variety of financial products including active and passive funds, certificates and segregated accounts. In total, these licensees presently manage over \$8 billion based on the DJSI. For more information about the DJSI, visit http://www.sustainability-indexes.com.

The FTSE4Good Index Series has been designed to measure the performance of companies that meet globally recognized corporate responsibility standards, and to facilitate the investment in those companies. It is calculated by the global index provider FTSE Group. For more information about the FTSE4Good Index Series, visit http://www.ftse.com/ftse4good.

About Medtronic

Medtronic, Inc. (<u>www.medtronic.com</u>), headquartered in Minneapolis, is the global leader in medical technology--alleviating pain, restoring health, and extending life for millions of people around the world.

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