Medtronic News

Medtronic Named One of the World's Leading Companies for Sustainability

Thomson Reuters ONE via COMTEX) --MINNEAPOLIS - Sept. 12, 2013 - Medtronic, Inc. (NYSE: MDT) is one of the world's leading companies for sustainability, according to new ratings released today. For the third year in a row, Medtronic was named to the Dow Jones Sustainability World Index (DJSI World), which analyzes companies on a variety of sustainability criteria, including economic performance, environmental stewardship and social responsibility. This adds to the recognition Medtronic received earlier this year from FTSE4Good.

Medtronic is focused on strong corporate citizenship in order to build awareness and capacity in emerging markets, meet the regulatory requirements of multiple countries, and provide solutions that address patient needs and help reduce costs in healthcare systems around the world. The company's five citizenship pillars align actions with the expectations of a wide range of global stakeholders to monitor critical issues related to access to care, product safety, ethics, human rights, labor practices, supply chain and the environment.

Medtronic's Healthy Heart for All (HHFA) program in India is one example of a program focused on access to care for critical cardiac therapies by providing high-quality, affordable cardiac diagnosis and treatment. The company also worked with a local partner to create India's first medical device financing options. HHFA is now available at 70 hospitals in 20 cities throughout India, and an estimated 6,000 patients will receive treatment through the program in 2013.

Medtronic is also dedicated to conserving natural resources, promoting energy efficiency and eliminating waste. In 2013, the company concluded its first set of five-year environmental goals. For more information about Medtronic's sustainability efforts, please access the 2013 Corporate Citizen Update, which is available via the website, www.medtronic.com.

Medtronic also continues to be recognized by the FTSE4Good Index, announced earlier this year. Companies in the FTSE4Good Index Series have met stringent environmental, social and governance criteria, and are positioned to capitalize on the benefits of responsible business practice. More information can be found at http://www.eiris.org/companies/ftse4good/.

The Dow Jones Sustainability Indices were launched in 1999 as the first global sustainability benchmarks. More information about the DJSI can be found at http://www.sustainability-indices.com/index.jsp.

About Medtronic

Medtronic, Inc. (www.medtronic.com), 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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