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OAKFORD COMPANY CELEBRATES SAFETY AND HEALTH ACCOMPLISHMENT

INDIANAPOLIS (August 26, 2016) – Hewitt Molding Company, of Oakford, Indiana, achieved recertification in the Indiana Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (INSHARP) and remains the only certified INSHARP site in Howard County. Today, the company celebrates this accomplishment in conjunction with its 50th anniversary open house.

“We’re happy to celebrate with all the hardworking employees of Hewitt Molding Company during such a landmark year for their business,” said Indiana Department of Labor Commissioner Rick J. Ruble. “Their continued dedication to protecting employees and maintaining a safe and healthy workplace culture earns the INSHARP recertification status.”

Hewitt Molding Company is a custom designer and manufacturer of precision plastic injection molds and injection molded products and services. The company employs 54 at its facility, which includes a tool room with high-speed CNC machining centers, CNC wire and sinker EDM equipment as well as secondary operations and sub-assemblies. Hewitt has operated at its current Oakford location for 45 years.

Hewitt’s safety committee, monthly meetings, safety audits, and workplace safety and health training are just some of the programs maintained by both management and employees. The facility’s average occupational injury and illness rate for the past three years was nearly half the national industry average, according to the most recently published data provided by the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics.

About the Indiana Department of Labor:

The mission of the Indiana Department of Labor is to advance the safety, health and prosperity of Hoosiers in the workplace. In order to make significant strides, we emphasize both enforcement and voluntary compliance by employers. Follow the Indiana Department of Labor on Twitter: [@INDeptofLabor](https://twitter.com/INDeptofLabor) and Like on Facebook: facebook.com/IndianaDepartmentofLabor.

About INSHARP:

The Indiana Safety and Health Recognition Program provides recognition to Hoosier employers that operate exemplary safety and health management systems. Certification in INSHARP is an

achievement of status that will single employers out among their business peers as a model worksite for Hoosier workplace safety and health.

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