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MSA's Anne Herman Recognized with BusinessWomen First Award

PITTSBURGH, March 8, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- Anne Herman, Vice President of Global Operational Excellence and Chief Customer Officer for MSA Safety (NYSE: MSA), has been recognized by the *Pittsburgh Business Times* as one of the 25 most influential businesswomen in western Pennsylvania. Ms. Herman will accept her *BusinessWomen First Award* at a Women's Leadership Reception on March 8 at the Westin Convention Center Hotel in downtownPittsburgh.

"This distinguished recognition is well deserved and reflects the many contributions Ms. Herman has made to MSA – and to her colleagues and community – over her very successful career with MSA," said William M. Lambert, MSA Chairman, President and CEO. "Anne possesses deep expertise in R&D, standards compliance and operations engineering, and she is without question a leader in the global safety industry. As Chief Customer Officer and global leader of our customer experience team, Anne has a deep understanding of our customers and the quality they expect from our life-saving products," Mr. Lambert continued. "It's great that the *BusinessWomen First Awards* program saw fit to recognize and honor influential businesswomen in our region, and we are proud to have Anne as a member of the MSA leadership team."

Since 2012, the *Pittsburgh Business Times* has recognized businesswomen who have made a difference in their communities, blazed a trail for other women and are leaving a mark on the western Pennsylvania business community with this award.

In addition to accepting her award onMarch 8 at the Women's Leadership Reception, Ms. Herman and the other honorees will be featured in a special supplement honoring the recipients. The special insert will be available in the Friday, March 10 issue of the *Pittsburgh Business Times*.

Ms. Herman was one of the few women in her field when she joined MSA in 1984 as an assistant chemist. Since then she has held roles of increasing responsibility. Most recently, she was promoted to her current role, where she leads MSA's global operations, quality and supply chain organizations and serves as MSA's Chief Customer Officer. She graduated with a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from Bucknell University and an MBA from Duquesne University.

In addition to her academic accomplishments, Ms. Herman completed the Women's Executive Leadership Program from Duquesne University and is the executive sponsor of WMSA, MSA's professional organization dedicated to the advancement of women in the workplace. She is also a member of the Graduate and Executive Programs Advisory Council (GEPAC) for the Palumbo Donahue School of Business at Duquesne University, sits on the Board of Directors of the YWCA ofGreater Pittsburgh and is a certified Six Sigma Green Belt.

About MSA

Established in 1914, MSA Safety Incorporated is the global leader in the development, manufacture and supply of safety products that protect people and facility infrastructures. Many MSA products integrate a combination of electronics, mechanical systems and advanced materials to protect users against hazardous or life-threatening situations. The company's comprehensive product line is used by workers around the world in a broad range of markets, including the oil, gas and petrochemical industry, the fire service, the construction industry, mining and the military. MSA's core products include self-contained breathing apparatus, fixed gas and flame detection systems, portable gas detection instruments, industrial head protection products, fire and rescue helmets, and fall protection devices. With 2016 revenues of $1.15 billion, MSA employs approximately 4,300 people worldwide. The company is headquartered north of Pittsburgh in Cranberry Township, Pa., and has manufacturing operations in the United States, Europe, Asia and Latin America. With more than 40 international locations, MSA realizes approximately half of its revenue from outside North America. For more information visit MSA's web site at www.MSAsafety.com.

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