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OHIO GOVERNOR AWARDS MANSFIELD PLUMBING GRANT TO BENEFIT ITS PERRYSVILLE PLANT

-- More than \$730,000 to go toward improving U.S. plant's energy efficiency, helping the bathroom-fixture manufacturer to keep its competitive edge globally --

PERRYSVILLE, Ohio (Feb. 26, 2010) – Ohio Governor Ted Strickland has announced that Ohio-based Mansfield Plumbing (Mansfield) received a \$730,000 grant from the State of Ohio to improve the efficiency of its Perrysville sanitary-ware plant. Mansfield Plumbing was one of 18 Ohio projects that will receive more than \$11.8 million in industry efficiency grant awards funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act's State Energy Program.

"We continue to make investments in the industries that will grow Ohio's economy and also save energy," Strickland said. "Ohio has made a commitment to leading the new energy economy and we are seeing results in companies like Mansfield Plumbing that are making smart, responsible investments to create jobs and drive down energy costs."

The funds will be used to install two additional CBC benches, modify and optimize its compressed air system and install energy-efficient lighting. The new systems should save more than 2.67 megawatt-hours of electricity each year. The installation project at the plant will take approximately 12 months to complete, with more than half of the grant tied to two new CBC benches.

"We're very thankful to Governor Strickland for his help to ensure we can continue to manufacture high-quality fixtures at affordable prices while consuming less energy," says Charles Scott, vice president of marketing for Mansfield. "Mansfield is only one of three sanitary-ware manufacturers still operating plants in the United States, and we appreciate all the support we get from our home state."

"We have completed a number of equipment updates over the past three years. Like the preceding investments, this project will enable us to better compete in today's global economy," says Jim Morando, president of Mansfield Plumbing. "This grant will help us keep

our 'made in America' bathroom fixtures affordable to homeowners and businesses across the U.S."

For more information on Mansfield's products, visit www.mansfieldplumbing.com.

ABOUT MANSFIELD PLUMBING

Mansfield precision manufactures more than 2.5 million pieces each year at its U.S. headquarters in Perrysville, Ohio. Two other plants operate in the U.S.: Big Prairie, Ohio, and Henderson, Texas. With almost 500 employees, Mansfield is one of the largest domestic producers of sanitary ware, and is proud to say many of the products are "Made in the USA." Mansfield's plumbing fixtures and fittings are available through one of the industry's most extensive networks of more than 2,800 distributors located throughout the U.S., Puerto Rico and Canada. Additionally, the company's plumbing products are sold through select retail, doit-yourself home improvement centers and designer kitchen and bath showrooms. Mansfield Plumbing Products, founded in 1929, was purchased by Corona (one of the world's largest manufacturers of china) in 2004 and is a leading producer of top quality, high-design, performance plumbing fixtures and fittings for use in residential, commercial and institutional markets. Visit www.mansfieldplumbing.com or call 877-850-3060 for more information.

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Mansfield Plumbing representatives available for interviews

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