



McCormick and its Employees Donating to Japanese Recovery Effort

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McCormick & Company, Incorporated (NYSE:MKC) is making a donation to the Japanese relief effort and conducting an employee donation program for McCormick employees who want to contribute to the humanitarian effort being done as a result of the devastating earthquake and tsunami of March 11.

The corporate donation of \$50,000 will be combined with donations made by employee contributions in the United States. McCormick will then match those employee contributions. There are approximately 3,200 McCormick employees at a number of manufacturing facilities and offices throughout the United States. All McCormick funds raised will be contributed through the American Red Cross of Central Maryland.

"The destruction brought by the earthquake and tsunami to the country of Japan is catastrophic," said Alan Wilson, Chairman, President and CEO of McCormick. "Once again, a tragedy of this scale brings out the best in people who feel compelled to help. McCormick and our employees are grateful to be part of the effort."

"What has happened to the people of Japan is hard to comprehend, and their recovery will require the support and goodwill of many people from around the world," said Lori Robinson, VP Corporate Communications, Global Branding and Culinary Marketing, and a member of the Board of Directors of the American Red Cross of Central Maryland. "By partnering with the American Red Cross, we can get needed funds, as soon as possible, to those who have been impacted."

About McCormick

McCormick & Company, Incorporated (www.mccormick.com) is a global leader in flavor with the manufacturing, marketing and distribution of spices, seasonings, specialty foods and flavors to the entire food industry -- retail outlets, food manufacturers and food service businesses.

For more information on making a donation for the Japanese relief effort, visit www.redcross.org

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