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DuPont Protection Technologies Announces DuPont™ Kevlar® Innovation Awards
U.S. Awards Honor the Capabilities of Kevlar® and Ingenuity of DuPont Customers

WILMINGTON, Del., May 19, 2011 — DuPont Protection Technologies today announced the launch of the DuPont™ Kevlar® Innovation Awards, celebrating excellence in innovation, protection and collaboration. The awards recognize and showcase ideas, methods, technologies, applications, products and services using Kevlar® in a new way. Manufacturers and innovators of products containing Kevlar® in the United States are eligible to enter.

“Since its first commercial use in the early 1970s as a replacement for steel in tires, Kevlar® has become the leading protection brand worldwide,” said Thomas G. Powell, president — DuPont Protection Technologies. “Kevlar® is especially known for its ability to protect people in law enforcement, the military and industrial personal protection, but it also provides strength and lightweight protection in aircraft and applications such as cables for fiber optics and oil platforms — all creative solutions that improve our daily lives. The DuPont™ Kevlar® Innovation Awards give innovators the opportunity to showcase the incredible things they do with Kevlar® in order to help make our world a safer place today and in the future.”

Entries will be judged on a set of criteria based on excellence in the categories of Innovation, Protection and Collaboration. A panel of experts will determine the winners, who will be recognized at an awards ceremony in the fall of 2011. DuPont will make a \$10,000 donation on behalf of each winner to a charity or science organization. Entries must be received by August 15, 2011. For complete submission information and to enter, please visit www.kevlar.com/innovation.

The awards announcement comes during an important year for Kevlar®. A new DuPont™ Kevlar® facility is being built near Charleston, S.C., and represents a \$500 million expansion in Kevlar® capacity. The facility is expected to start up by the end of 2011.

DuPont (www.dupont.com) is a science-based products and services company. Founded in 1802, DuPont puts science to work by creating sustainable solutions essential to a better, safer, healthier life for people everywhere. Operating in more than 90 countries, DuPont offers a wide range of innovative products and services for markets including agriculture and food; building and construction; communications; and transportation.

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