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Worthington Industries Earns Recognition as a John Deere “Partner-level Supplier” – the Company’s Highest Supplier Rating – for the 11th Consecutive Year

COLUMBUS, OH – March 21, 2023 -- Worthington Industries, Inc. (NYSE: WOR) today announced it has earned recognition as a Partner-level supplier for 2022 in the John Deere Achieving Excellence Program, marking its 11th consecutive year achieving this honor. Partner-level status is Deere & Company’s highest supplier rating. Worthington was selected in recognition of its dedication to providing products and service of outstanding quality as well as its commitment to continuous improvement. Worthington previously received its second Hall of Fame status in 2021, after attaining a Partner-level rating for 10 consecutive years.

“We are honored to achieve Partner-level recognition from John Deere for the 11th year in a row – it continues to be one of the most meaningful awards our company receives,” said Worthington Industries Steel Processing President Jeff Klingler. “It’s a reflection of the strong partnerships we build with our customers, and only challenges us further to find new ways to innovate, transform and deliver better, year after year.”

Worthington Industries is a supplier of hot-rolled and cold-rolled cut-to-length steel sheets to John Deere Harvester Works in East Moline, Ill., John Deere Horicon Works in Horicon, Wis. and John Deere Ottumwa Works in Ottumwa, Iowa, for the fabrication and assembly of combine harvesters, hay and forage equipment, lawn & garden equipment and utility vehicles.

Suppliers who participate in the Achieving Excellence program are evaluated annually in several key performance categories, including quality, delivery, process alignment, value creation and relationship. John Deere Supply Management created the program in 1991 to provide a supplier evaluation and feedback process that promotes continuous improvement.

About Worthington Industries

Worthington Industries (NYSE:WOR) is a leading industrial manufacturing company pursuing its vision to be the transformative partner to its customers, a positive force for its communities and earn exceptional returns for its shareholders. For over six decades, the Company has been delivering innovative solutions to customers spanning industries such as automotive, energy, retail and construction. Worthington is North America’s premier value-added steel processor and producer of laser welded solutions and electrical steel laminations that provide lightweighting, safety critical and emission reducing components to the mobility market. Through on-board fueling systems and gas containment solutions, Worthington serves the growing global hydrogen ecosystem. The Company’s focus on innovation and manufacturing expertise extends to market-leading consumer products in tools, outdoor living and celebrations categories, sold under brand names,

Coleman[®], Bernzomatic[®], Balloon Time[®], Level5 Tools[®], Mag Torch[®], Well-X-Trol[®], General[®], Garden-Weasel[®], Pactool International[®] and Hawkeye[™]; as well as market leading building products, including water systems, heating & cooling solutions, architectural and acoustical grid ceilings and metal framing and accessories.

Headquartered in Columbus, Ohio, Worthington operates 52 facilities in 15 states and nine countries, sells into over 90 countries and employs approximately 9,000 people. Founded in 1955, the Company follows a people-first Philosophy with earning money for its shareholders as its first corporate goal. Relentlessly finding new ways to drive progress and transform, Worthington is committed to providing better solutions for customers and bettering the communities where it operates by reducing waste, supporting community-based non-profits and developing the next generations of makers.

Safe Harbor Statement

Worthington Industries wishes to take advantage of the Safe Harbor provisions included in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the "Act"). Statements by Worthington Industries which are not historical information constitute "forward looking statements" within the meaning of the Act. All forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties which could cause actual results to differ from those projected. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially include risks, uncertainties and impacts described from time to time in Worthington Industries' filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including those related to COVID-19 and the various actions taken in connection therewith, which could also heighten other risks.