

Applied Materials Releases 2009 Citizenship Report

April 5, 2010

SANTA CLARA, Calif., Apr 05, 2010 (BUSINESS WIRE) --Applied Materials, Inc. today released its 2009 Citizenship Report that highlights the Company's corporate social responsibility accomplishments across its business operations - from its innovative energy-saving products to its contributions to the community, economy and the environment.

Applied's vision is to apply its nanomanufacturing technology to help improve the way people live, and recognizes that technology alone will not make the world a better place. It also requires a long-term commitment to business and global sustainability, incentives for socially responsible innovation, and an investment in the well-being of employees and local communities. Applied is aware of the inherent social and business consequences of global climate change, and is fully committed to achieving sustainability in a clean tech economy.

"We are proud of the significant progress we've made in 2009 in advocating clean energy public policy across the globe, in reducing our own carbon footprint, and in responding to the critical needs of our community," said Mike Splinter, chairman and CEO of Applied Materials. "Our achievements reflect our commitment as a global corporate citizen to improve people's lives by providing innovative, clean technology and products using sustainable business practices, and making valuable social contributions in environmental awareness and education."

The report details key achievements made in Applied's fiscal 2009 in the areas of "green construction," information technology sustainability, solar and clean energy solutions, environmental awareness, education, philanthropy, and employee volunteering. Notable highlights of the report include:

- Progress made toward Applied's goal to reduce its carbon footprint by 20% by 2012 over a 2006 baseline, which includes the following milestones:
 - Obtained 9.5% of power from renewable sources.
 - Decreased worldwide electric usage by 14%.
 - Decreased natural gas usage by 22%.
 - Reduced worldwide water use by 17%.
- An investment of more than \$4 million by Applied and the Applied Materials Foundation in educational programs to improve student academic achievement.
- Contributions to local non-profit organizations totaling \$1.5 million in Austin, TX, and Northern California's Silicon Valley to
 provide rent, utility assistance and other basic services for urgent community needs.
- Launch of the Company's <u>Clean Tech, Applied blog</u>, a global discussion about the ideas, actions and products shaping a cleaner, brighter future.

The report follows the Global Reporting Initiative Sustainability Reporting Guidelines. To view the report, visit the media kit at http://www.appliedmaterials.com/news/citizenship report.html.

Applied Materials, Inc. (Nasdaq:AMAT) is the global leader in Nanomanufacturing Technology(TM) solutions with a broad portfolio of innovative equipment, service and software products for the fabrication of semiconductor chips, flat panel displays, solar photovoltaic cells, flexible electronics and energy efficient glass. At Applied Materials, we apply Nanomanufacturing Technology to improve the way people live. Learn more at www.appliedmaterials.com.

Photos/Multimedia Gallery Available: http://www.businesswire.com/cgi-bin/mmg.cgi?eid=6237686&lang=en

SOURCE: Applied Materials, Inc.

Applied Materials, Inc. Amaya Wiegert, 408-235-4795 (business media) Michael Sullivan, 408-986-7977 (financial community)