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SMITHERS’S RELIEF FUND TO MATCH DONATIONS 2-TO-1 TO ASSIST VICTIMS, RECOVERY OPERATIONS IN NYC, D.C.

AKRON, Ohio (Sept. 21, 2001) – Smithers Scientific Services Inc. has established a disaster relief fund, whereby the company will match all employee donations 2-to-1 up to the first \$10,000 contributed to assist victims and recovery operations in New York City and Washington, D.C.

“Now is the time to show our countrymen we understand what makes this nation so great,” Smithers’ President and CEO J. Michael Hochschwender told employees. “It is a time for us all to pull together and stand behind our compatriots who have been harmed by this cowardly act.”

Smithers, a leading independent testing, research and consulting firm, employs some 300 people in five different locations throughout the U.S.

The “Smithers Relief Fund” is open to all employees who wish to make donations. They may make their tax-free contributions through payroll deduction over the next three months, with the company matching each individual donation 2-to-1.

Mr. Hochschwender said 100 percent of the employee and matching contributions will be sent “directly to assist the victims of this terrible tragedy and to the men and women who have so bravely worked in the rescue and recovery operations.”

For further information about Smithers Scientific Services, log onto its Web site at

www.smithersscientific.com.