



HanesBrands Distribution Center Achieves Safety Milestone

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Hanes' Cleveland Distribution Center reaches 2 million employee hours without injury, a significant achievement in the company's long-held commitment to employees' safety and health

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Feb. 16, 2017-- HanesBrands (NYSE: HBI), a leading global marketer of everyday basic apparel under world-class brands, today announced that its Cleveland Distribution Center, located in Kings Mountain, N.C., was one of 34 facilities in the state of North Carolina to achieve 2 million employee hours without injury in 2016.

N.C. Department of Labor Commissioner Cherie Berry visited the distribution center to present the certificate to Joel Long, director of distribution for HanesBrands, on behalf of the facility's more than 500 employees. The NCDOL million-hour safety awards are given to facilities that accumulate 1 million or more employee hours with no cases of injury or illness that involve days away from work.

"It is important that we recognize companies when they exceed expectations of safety and health in their workplace, and the HanesBrands facility in Kings Mountain has demonstrated that commitment with this recent 2 million-man hour award," Commissioner Berry said.

Long commended the Cleveland Distribution Center team for the achievement: "Safety is a top priority at HanesBrands, and a responsibility that each of us at the Cleveland Distribution Center owns – both for ourselves and those we work with. Achieving 2 million safe hours is a reflection of the strong teamwork and focus of everyone who works here."

The Cleveland Distribution Center, which ships intimate apparel orders for *Bali*, *Playtex* and *Maidenform*, from department-store and mid-tier retailers, has a long track record of safe operations. The facility has earned six consecutive NCDOL Gold Safety Awards (2011-2016) and achieved 1 million safe hours in 2016.

The company's Canterbury Distribution Center, which is co-located with Cleveland, also has a strong safety record. The facility, which employs nearly 400 operators who ship *Hanes*, *Playtex* and *Just My Size* products to mass and regional retailers, has received five consecutive NCDOL Gold Safety Awards (2012-2016), one Silver Award (2011) and achieved 1 million safe hours in February 2016.

Since 2014, Hanes has expanded the Kings Mountain facilities a combined 235,000 square feet and added 285 jobs to handle increased volume and responsibilities.

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HanesBrands, based in Winston-Salem, N.C., is a socially responsible leading marketer of everyday basic innerwear and activewear apparel in the Americas, Europe, Australia and Asia/Pacific under some of the world's strongest apparel brands, including *Hanes*, *Champion*, *Playtex*, *DIM*, *Bali*, *Maidenform*, *Bonds*, *JMS/Just My Size*, *L'eggs*, *Wonderbra*, *Nur Die/Nur Der*, *Lovable*, *Berlei*, and *Gear for Sports*. The company sells T-shirts, bras, panties, shapewear, underwear, socks, hosiery, and activewear produced in the company's low-cost global supply chain. A member of the S&P 500 stock index, Hanes has approximately 70,000 employees in more than 40 countries and is ranked No. 448 on the Fortune 500 list of America's largest companies by sales. Hanes takes pride in its strong reputation for ethical business practices. The company is the only apparel producer to ever be honored by the Great Place to Work Institute for its workplace practices in Central America and the Caribbean, and is ranked No. 167 on the Forbes magazine list of America's Best Employers. For seven consecutive years, Hanes has won the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Energy Star sustained excellence/partner of the year award – the only apparel company to earn sustained excellence honors. The company ranks No. 172 on Newsweek magazine's green list of 500 largest U.S. companies for environmental achievement. For more information about the company and its corporate social responsibility initiatives, including environmental, social compliance and community improvement achievements go to www.Hanes.com/corporate, and connect on Facebook (www.facebook.com/hanesbrandsinc) and Twitter ([@hanesbrands](https://twitter.com/hanesbrands)).

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