## 3M Named a 2017 World's Most Ethical Company®

3M has been recognized for its ethics and integrity in doing business by the Ethisphere Institute, which has placed the science-based company on its list of World's Most Ethical Companies for a fourth year in a row. It is an honor that only four industrial manufacturing companies worldwide can claim this year.

"At 3M, it's not enough to just win in business – it matters how you do it," said Kristen Ludgate, 3M's vice president of Associate General Counsel and chief compliance officer. "Customers want to do business with companies they can trust, and achieving that trust requires the help of all employees. I'm proud to say our people live 3M's Code of Conduct every day by making ethical decisions and speaking up if they aren't sure what to do."

3M's Code of Conduct is central to its business playbook and a key reason for the company's high reputation among consumers and across many industries. Seen as a competitive advantage, 3M leaders create and promote a workplace environment where compliance and ethical business conduct are expected and encouraged through a strong tone at the top and leading by example.

The Ethisphere Institute assesses companies on a series of levels, from compliance programs and corporate responsibility, to leadership and an enterprise's culture of ethics. 3M scored the highest in the citizenship and corporate responsibility category, as well as the ethics and compliance program grouping.

You can learn more about 3M's Code of Conduct at:

http://solutions.3m.com/wps/portal/3M/en\_US/businessconduct/bcmain/

The full list of the 2017 World's Most Ethical Companies can be found at:

http://worldsmostethicalcompanies.ethisphere.com/honorees/

About 3M

At 3M, we apply science in collaborative ways to improve lives daily. With \$30 billion in sales, our 90,000 employees connect with customers all around the world. Learn more about 3M's creative solutions to the world's problems at <a href="https://www.3M.com">www.3M.com</a> or on Twitter @3M or @3MNewsroom.

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