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## Minneapolis-based disabilities employer receives 2023 Supplier Performance Award from United States Postal Service

Award recognizes suppliers who make outstanding contributions to the Postal Services' success

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. – MDI today announced that it was recognized with a <u>Supplier Performance</u> Award from the United States Postal Service (USPS). The award is presented annually to a select set of key suppliers who make outstanding contributions to the Postal Service's success and are considered "exemplary performers" in assisting USPS in achieving its business objectives. MDI is one of six businesses across the country to be recognized for their performance during 2022. <u>Click here</u> for a photo of MDI leadership receiving the award.

Based in Minneapolis with additional facilities in Grand Rapids, Cohasset and Hibbing, MDI is a nonprofit social enterprise manufacturer with a mission of providing meaningful employment for Minnesotans with disabilities.

"As a longtime supplier to the United States Postal Service, we are honored to be a 2023 recipient of the Supplier Performance Award," said MDI Chief Operating Officer Rod Wood. "USPS and MDI both share the unique mission of positively impacting lives — USPS by delivering important goods and services to people and businesses across the country, and MDI by providing meaningful and inclusive employment to people with disabilities across Minnesota. We sincerely thank them for this recognition."

Employing more than 500 people, MDI manufactures corrugated plastic packaging and mail transportation equipment (MTE) products for the Postal Service and offers production labor services. When MDI hires a new employee at one of its facilities, it focuses on the person's abilities and strengths, rather than their limitations. Since its founding in 1964, MDI has employed thousands of Minnesotans with disabilities.

The USPS Supplier Performance Award highlights the efforts of suppliers who make outstanding contributions toward the success of the Postal Service, and emphasizes recognizing suppliers who have either been involved in significant programs and supply chain initiatives; made a difference in helping the Postal Service achieve excellent customer service, bottom-line savings, and increased revenue or performance results; or have consistently exhibited a collaborative business relationship with the Postal Service.

## **About MDI**

MDI is a trusted Minnesota manufacturer and nonprofit social enterprise with the mission to provide employment opportunities and services for people with disabilities. We create high-quality plastic containers to ship, pack and store products, and offer unparalleled product assembly and packaging services for organizations across the country, from small businesses to Fortune 500 companies. By

offering an inclusive workplace that allows employees to build confidence, independence and purpose, MDI's work results in dedicated employees and satisfied customers. To learn more, visit <a href="mailto:mdi.org">mdi.org</a>.

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