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**NOAA's National Weather Service
Recognizes Clysar® Shrink Film as a StormReady Supporter**

In a ceremony held earlier today, officials from NOAA's National Weather Service recognized Clysar® Shrink Film for meeting rigorous guidelines necessary to earn the distinction of being a StormReady® Supporter. Clysar® is the second company in Iowa and only the 224th in the Nation to be honored with this recognition.

"Clysar® Shrink Film has developed a severe weather strategy that is at the same time practical and proactive," said Donna Dubberke, Warning Coordination Meteorologist, National Weather Service Weather Forecast Office in the Quad Cities. "This StormReady recognition acknowledges their efforts and exceptional commitment to severe weather safety for their employees."

Jack Friend, Plant Manager for Clysar® said, "Clysar® has always been focused on the safety of their employees. It just made good sense to take advantage of newer technologies and the knowledge from the National Weather Service and our County Emergency Manager to upgrade our preparedness plans. We are pleased to receive this recognition and encourage other manufacturing sites to do the same."

Stephan Kuhl, Meteorologist in Charge, National Weather Service Weather Forecast Office in the Quad Cities, presented the StormReady Supporter recognition at 8:30 am on Friday July 13 during a ceremony at the Clysar® facility in Clinton, Iowa. Plant officials received a certificate and StormReady sign. The StormReady Supporter recognition will be in effect for three years and then can be renewed.

"The United States is the most severe weather prone region of the world. The mission of the National Weather Service is to reduce the loss of life and property from these storms, and StormReady helps organizations evaluate their preparedness strategies," Stephan Kuhl said.

StormReady Supporters are local entities, such as businesses, hospitals, malls, schools, county extension agencies, etc., that promote the principles and guidelines of the StormReady program through severe weather safety and awareness plans. Entities interested in becoming a StormReady Supporter should contact the National Weather Service in the Quad Cities for further information about the program.

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On the Web:

NOAA's StormReady program:

www.stormready.noaa.gov

Clysar® Shrink Film:

www.clysar.com

NOAA's National Weather Service in the Quad Cities:

www.weather.gov/quadcities