Novelis And U.S. Conference Of Mayors Announce Winners Of 2012 Cans For Cash™ City Recycling Challenge

Cities around the Nation Collect More than 114 Million Aluminum Cans

ATLANTA and WASHINGTON, June 14, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- The winners of the 2012 Cans for Cash™ City Recycling Challenge were announced yesterday by the United States Conference of Mayors and Novelis Inc., the global leader in rolled aluminum products and aluminum can recycling.

Established in 2004, Cans for Cash™ is a national contest that rewards U.S. cities for recycling aluminum beverage cans. The six winning municipalities were recognized at the 80th Annual Meeting of The United States Conference of Mayors in Orlando, Fla. Combined, cities that participated in the 2012 Challenge collected 114,284,354 aluminum beverage cans during the challenge period. The amount of energy saved by recycling these cans could supply enough energy to power 10,884 U.S. homes for an entire day.

Grants were made in two categories: Most Cans Collected and Most Innovative Ideas. First place winners in each category were awarded \$25,000 grants and second and third place winners were awarded \$15,000 and \$5,000 grants, respectively.

"Most Cans Collected" recognizes the cities that collect the most aluminum beverage cans *per capita* during the challenge period (any consecutive 28 days between March 1st and April 30th, 2012). In this category the winners are:

• First Place (\$25,000 grant):	Milwaukee, Wis. Mayor Tom Barrett City Population: 594,833 Number of Cans Collected: 39,393,259 Cans Collected <i>per capita</i> : 66.2
• Second Place (\$15,000 grant):	Richmond, Ind. Mayor Sally Hutton City Population: 36,812 Number of Cans Collected: 2,258,852 Cans Collected per capita: 61.4
Third Place (\$5,000 grant):	University City, Mo. Mayor Shelley Welsch City Population: 35,371 Number of Cans Collected: 1,627,438 Cans Collected <i>per capita</i> : 46.0

"Most Innovative Ideas" rewards the cities that employ the most creative strategies to promote aluminum beverage can recycling. Winners in this category are:

• First Place (\$25,000 grant):	Pembroke Pines, Fla. Mayor Frank Ortis
• Second Place (\$15,000 grant):	Newport News, Va. Mayor Mckinley Price
Third Place (\$5,000 grant):	Irvine, Calif. Mayor Sukhee Kang

"As the global leader in aluminum beverage can recycling, Novelis is proud to be the founding sponsor of the Cans for Cash™ City Recycling Challenge," said Tom Walpole, senior vice president of Novelis and president, Novelis North America. "The Challenge provides municipalities with a platform to engage their citizens in a conversation about the importance of recycling and to help build greener, more sustainable communities."

The Cans for Cash™ City Recycling Challenge has collected and recycled more than 902 million aluminum cans since the challenge started back in 2004.

"Recycling aluminum beverage cans makes sense both financially and environmentally," said Tom Cochran,

CEO and executive director of the United States Conference of Mayors. "America's Mayors are proud to take a national leadership role in promoting environmental sustainability though the Cans for Cash™ City Recycling Challenge – and through encouraging aluminum beverage can recycling we can encourage revenue generation and job creation as well."

About the United States Conference of Mayors

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