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**KIMBERLY-CLARK PROFESSIONAL* OFFERS COMPLETE LINE
OF KIMTECH PURE* WIPERS FOR CLEANROOM ENVIRONMENTS**

***Full Product Line of Dry, Pre-Saturated and Sterile Wipers Now
Available for Semiconductor, Pharmaceutical, High-Tech,
Biotech and Medical Devices Industries***

ROSWELL, Ga. (March 16, 2006) – Kimberly-Clark Professional, a division of Kimberly-Clark Corporation (NYSE: KMB), has introduced a complete line of dry, pre-saturated and sterile KIMTECH PURE* Wipers for all cleanroom environments. The new product line provides research and scientific professionals responsible for the critical task wiping of cleanroom environments access to a full line of tested and proven wiper products.

“Kimberly-Clark Professional has long been recognized as a leader in developing and delivering to market some of the industry’s most innovative and technologically advanced products. Our wiping products undergo a rigorous manufacturing and sampling process to ensure consistency and help make certain every wiper meets the extreme demands for cleanroom entry and use,” says Brad Reynolds, category manager, Kimberly-Clark Professional. “By introducing this new line of wipers, cleanroom managers can rely on Kimberly-Clark Professional to serve as their single source provider for gloves, masks and wiper products.”

The new product line now includes both dry and sterile KIMTECH PURE* CL3 Wipers, which can be used for the most critical surface wiping tasks in ISO Class 3 or higher cleanroom environments.

The dry KIMTECH PURE* CL3 Wipers are 100 percent continuous filament double-knit polyester. In independent testing, the product's patent-pending Clean-Dry Technology achieved more than 25 percent better surface wipe drying than a leading competitive brand. The KIMTECH PURE* CL3 Wipers also absorb liquids on contact while still delivering the low particle and extractable levels expected from polyester wipers. The dry wipers are solvent- and abrasion-resistant, have four laser-sealed edges to minimize particle generation, are cleanroom laundered in water filtered to 0.2 microns to minimize the potential for ion contamination, and are double-bagged to maintain cleanliness.

The dry KIMTECH PURE* CL3 Sterile Wipers are also recommended for the most critical surface wiping tasks in ISO Class 3 or higher cleanroom environments where sterility is required. They are 100 percent polyester and solvent- and abrasion-resistant. The patent-pending Clean-Dry Technology achieves more than 25 percent better surface wipe drying than a leading competitive brand in independent testing. The KIMTECH PURE* CL3 Sterile Wipers absorb liquids on contact while still delivering the low particle and extractable levels expected from polyester wipers. They are also compliant with AAMI Guidelines, gamma irradiated to a 10^{-6} Sterility Assurance Level (SAL) and cleanroom laundered, with laser-sealed edges.

The following other offerings complete the KIMTECH PURE* Wipers line of products for critical task wiping in cleanrooms:

- KIMTECH PURE* CL4 Wipers – 100 percent polypropylene
- KIMTECH PURE* CL5 Wipers – 50 percent rayon/50 percent polyester spunlace blend
- KIMTECH PURE* CL6 Wipers – 55 percent cellulose/45 percent polyester blend

- KIMTECH PURE* CL5 Sterile Wipers – 50 percent rayon/50 percent polyester spunlace blend
- KIMTECH PURE* CL4 Pre-Saturated Wipers – 100 percent polypropylene with 70 percent isopropyl alcohol/30 percent deionized water
- KIMTECH PURE* CL4 Sterile Pre-Saturated Wipers – 100 percent polypropylene with 70 percent alcohol/30 percent deionized water

“Kimberly-Clark Professional manufactures KIMTECH PURE* Wipers using rigorous process controls and sampling plans to ensure the consistency of each lot, from raw materials through processing,” Reynolds notes. “Each lot is tested in accordance with ASTM and IEST standards, and verified to meet stringent specifications for physical, particulate and extractable levels before being released. This new product line is another example of our long-standing commitment to innovation and quality and our reputation for developing superior product offerings to meet the ever-increasing cleanliness demands of this dynamic market.”

Kimberly-Clark Professional offers convenience, reliability and technical expertise in a single source for cleanroom gloves, masks and wipers. The complete line of KIMBERLY-CLARK PROFESSIONAL* Facial Protection, SAFESKIN* Gloves and KIMTECH PURE* Wipers can meet the critical task needs in a variety of cleanroom environments for the semiconductor, pharmaceutical, high-tech, biotechnology and medical device industries.

As with all Kimberly-Clark Professional products, KIMTECH PURE* Wipers come with the company’s No Questions Asked Guarantee, which reimburses customers up to \$1,000 worth of free product if the initial product purchased does not meet expectations.

For more information on KIMTECH PURE* Wipers, contact your Kimberly-Clark Professional representative, or call 800-255-6401.

About Kimberly-Clark Professional

Kimberly-Clark Professional offers a range of well-known brands and product solutions for workplace settings, Do-It-Yourselfers (DIY) and away-from-home washrooms. Kimberly-Clark Professional workplace products include safety apparel, gloves and related accessories as well as task-engineered wipers for both "clean" and "dirty" manufacturing environments. DIY and professional contractor products include solutions for home improvement and automotive projects that make fixing up and cleaning up fast, easy and efficient. Known for innovative, quality solutions, Kimberly-Clark Professional's pioneering products include Coreless Bath Tissue, JRT® Bath Tissue, the KIMCARE® ALL-N-1 Skin Care System and KIMTECH® Wipers. Kimberly-Clark Professional's well-known brands include KLEENEX®, SCOTT®, WYPALL®, KIMTECH®, KLEENGUARD® and KIMCARE®. Kimberly-Clark Professional, located in Roswell, Ga., is a division of Kimberly-Clark Corporation (NYSE: KMB) and can be visited on the web at www.kcprofessional.com

About Kimberly-Clark

Kimberly-Clark and its well-known global brands are an indispensable part of life for people in more than 150 countries. Every day, 1.3 billion people - almost a quarter of the world's population - trust K-C brands and the solutions they provide to enhance their health, hygiene and well being. With brands such as KLEENEX®, SCOTT®, HUGGIES®, PULL-UPS®, KOTEX® and DEPEND®, Kimberly-Clark holds the No. 1 or No. 2 share position in more than 80 countries. To keep up with the latest K-C news and to learn more about the company's 134-year history of innovation, visit www.kimberly-clark.com.

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