

MSA Responds to September 11, 2001

By 4:00 p.m. on the day of the disasters, three tractor trailer trucks loaded with respirators, thermal imaging cameras, gas detection instruments, protective eyewear, and hardhats valued at over \$2M were on their way, under state police escort, from Pittsburgh, Pa., to New York City, Washington, D.C., and Somerset County, Pa.

Later that evening, two volunteers from MSA's Rose plant near Denver, Colo., began the journey of almost 2,000 miles to NYC in another truck, filled with fall protection and rescue gear.

A few days later, a fifth truck, carrying CairnsHELMETS® rescue helmets, was dispatched overnight to the Pentagon.



By the time NYC's Recovery Phase was underway in early November, at the request of NYC's Department of Health, and in cooperation with OSHA and the International Union of Operating Engineers—MSA, two MSA Distribution Partners, and a third-party testing service prepared and maintained a respirator fit-testing facility at Ground Zero. After November, OSHA took over the trailer and assumed full responsibility for fit testing.

Over 1,800 American rescue and recovery workers were fit-tested free of charge at the MSA-sponsored WTC fit-testing trailer during the month of November. Prior to MSA's effort, no substantial fit testing had been done at Ground Zero.

Almost 2,000 MSA V-Gard® Helmets imprinted with the American flag were given to those who were fit-tested.

MSA's Customer Service Center and our manufacturing sites worked 24/7 the entire month of September to provide the products and support needed at the three disaster sites. Many employees worked day after day, and had to be urged to go home to rest.

At the Pentagon site, 1,500 Comfo® II Respirators, with appropriate cartridges and filters, were given to the FBI. Also transferred to the Pentagon from the Norfolk Naval Shipyard through MSA sales reps were about 200 Advantage® 200 LS respirators and cartridges. As many as 200 PAPRs were also provided to the site, because of asbestos concerns.



Some agencies and contractors covered by MSA's WTC Team:

NIOSH / DOH	NYPD	FDNY
Air National Guard (Newburgh)	Dept. of Sanitation	Community
Housing Authority	PSE&G	Turner Construction
Firematic	Keyspan	Clean Harbors
FBI (DC)	CDC	Schiavone
FBI (NY)	OSHA (NYC)	Railroad
FEMA (NYC)	MTA/Metro-North	Construction
FEMA (DC)	NYC Medical	J. Fletcher Creamer
Con Ed	Examiner's Office	Sanzari
NY DEP (NYC)	NJ State Police	Breen
NY DEC (Albany)	NY State Police	Bovis
USEPA (NJ)	NY/NJ Port	Verizon
CT OEM	Authority	Veteran's
NY OEM (Albany)	CT State Police	Administration

Later, after the anthrax incidents at the Hart Senate Building, additional OptimAir® 6A PAPRs and cartridges were provided for assessment & cleanup.

Some donations from MSA

- \$300,000 worth of MSA Safety Works® products (goggles, dust masks, and safety glasses) were donated through Home Depot to the efforts at Ground Zero and the Pentagon.
- \$65,000 was donated to the Uniformed Firefighters Association of FDNY.
- \$35,000 was donated to NYPD's Patrolmen's Benevolent Association.
- 10 Evolution® 4000 Thermal Imaging Cameras were donated to FDNY. (BAE Systems provided 10 camera cores; MSA built the cameras.)

A year later, OSHA's Assistant Secretary of Health, John L. Henshaw, expressed OSHA's appreciation in a letter of thanks, which read, in part: "With your help, OSHA distributed over 130,600 respirators, collected more than 6,500 personal, area, and bulk samples, and identified and corrected over 9,000 hazards at the site. . .

Your staff worked diligently to ensure that OSHA staff had adequate respirators, gloves, hardhats, reflective vests (or other PPE) to distribute to the workers and uniformed personnel at the World Trade Center."

"The size of the scene, the smell, the debris, and the look of devastation on [people's] faces—I will never forget it. Incredibly, immediately, there was a sense of determination to do whatever needed to be done to help. In those early days, each time we went into the city [with police escort], we were greeted by thousands of cheering residents of lower Manhattan . . . expressing . . . appreciation [with] applause, signs of support, patriotic expressions . . . food and drink." (Dave McArthur, MSA's then-regional sales manager for all 9/11 disaster sites)



MSA's contributions to tragedies are a way of life.

"We were and are in a position to do something—to make a difference—to those in need. . . This is what our predecessors have done here at MSA in times of national crisis for the last 87 years, particularly during World War II. Our products and our hearts—there are no others that can match them." (Chairman and CEO John T. Ryan III)

HOMELAND SECURITY: a new challenge for a new time.

Some of us helped fit-test and train hundreds of First Responders, Rescuers, and Recovery workers after the events of Sept. 11, 2001.

Terrorism is now an inescapable reality. First Responders like you must "Be ready!" with training, equipment, knowledge, experience, abilities, and energy.

Readiness for the future requires gas masks and other products with a reliable past, made by a company whose support is also legendary.

Since World War I, through decades of development and millions of users, MSA's gas masks have been greatly in demand by America's fighting forces and First Responders.

You can count on MSA's products for the very best respiratory protection, head/eye/face protection, gas detectors, thermal imagers, fall and rescue products, and more.

You can count on MSA for information, solutions, training, fit-testing, technical data, and other support. MSA's representatives and distributors take MSA expertise everywhere.

You can count on MSA's help with understanding the new CBRN standards. Ask for a copy of our CBRN Primer. It will help answer your questions about the new NIOSH standards and why respiratory protection is changing.



Introducing MSA's North American Homeland Security Strike Team

You can count on MSA's Homeland Security Strike Team for support and solutions. Here we are, ready to help you.

Greg Gatcomb

CT, MA, ME, NY, NH, RI, VT
Fax: 860-644-8628
Mobile: 860-573-0254
V/M: 5312

Rick Graham

MD, VA, WV, NC
Fax: 757-565-2882
Mobile: 757-880-6130
V/M: 5355

Millard Green

SC, GA, FL, AL, TN, PR
Fax: 205-681-8328
Mobile: 205-910-2905
V/M: 5507

Mark Gustafson

IN, KY, MO, KS, NE, SD
Fax: 502-239-7223
Mobile: 502-741-5155
V/M: 5461

Tom Jeramaz

DE, NYC, NJ, PA
Mobile: 201-888-6865
V/M: 5350

Steve Schmidt

US Fed. Govt. Sales Manager
Fax: 410-798-7377
Mobile: 410-336-3440
V/M: 5354
Washington, DC office:
202-347-3567
Washington, DC FAX:
202-347-3566

Dan Sebastian

MI, OH, IL, WI, MN, IA, ND
Fax: 810-231-1816
Mobile: 810-291-6598
V/M: 5111

Chris Sieritis

AK, WA, OR, ID, CO, UT, WY, MT
Fax: 425-7882426
Mobile: 206-605-4702
V/M: 5003

Neil West

TX, LA, OK, MS, AR
Mobile: 512-658-7462
Fax: 512-261-0154
V/M: 5158

Bruce McDermaid

CA, HI, AZ, NV, NM
Mobile: 520-906-5814
Fax: 1-800-967-0398
V/M: 5253

Andy Kalnins

Canada
Fax: 613-622-7618
Mobile: 613-863-0202
V/M: 5074

Dave McArthur

N. American HS Sales Manager
Fax: 732-223-7691
Mobile: 732-539-3810
V/M: 5315

For toll-free access to MSA's voice-mail, call 1-800-759-6423, and enter the appropriate 4-digit number at the prompt.



Corporate Headquarters
P.O. Box 426, Pittsburgh, PA 15230 USA
Phone 412-967-3000
www.MSAnet.com

U.S. Customer Service Center
Phone 1-800-MSA-2222
Fax 1-800-967-0398

MSA Canada
Phone 1-800-MSA-2222
Fax 905-238-4151

