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### S.J. Smith joins PurityPlus program

DAVENPORT, IOWA (Jan. 4, 2024) – S.J. Smith has joined the PurityPlus program as of Jan. 1. PurityPlus is a nationwide partnership of select independent specialty gas companies.

“S.J. Smith is pleased to further our relationship with IWDC by becoming a PurityPlus member. We’re excited to offer the increased quality and selection of the PurityPlus brand,” says Richelle Smith-Brecht, S.J. Smith President and CEO. “We look forward to furthering our relationship with our other independent distributors within IWDC, while continuing to offer outstanding product to our customers.”

PurityPlus represents 32 IWDC members spanning 39 states, Mexico and Canada.

The IWDC is a cooperative, formed in 1994, which leverages the strengths of its independent welding distributor members across North America. IWDC member companies collectively represent over \$3.2B in sales, serving a wide range of industries.

More information on IWDC is available at their websites, at [IWDC.coop](http://IWDC.coop) and [purityplusgases.com](http://purityplusgases.com).

For more information on S.J. Smith, please contact S.J. Smith at 563-324-5237, or visit our website at [sjsmith.com](http://sjsmith.com). Also, connect with us on Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn.

#### About S.J. Smith

Since 1950, S.J. Smith has evolved into a dynamic company, using the latest technology to find cutting-edge solutions for customers and provide quality products in a prompt and professional manner. In addition to being a primary provider of cylinder and specialty gas options, including industrial, medical, micro-bulk and laser-assist systems, and cryogenic and technical services, S.J. Smith also provides welding equipment, protective gear and accessories for welding, arc gouging, plasma cutting and more.

Founded by Sylvester “S.J.” and Helen Smith, and expanded by their son Richard Smith, who joined the company in 1969, the company is now led by the third generation: Richelle Smith-Brecht, president and CEO; Eric Smith, director of operations and Christopher Smith, assistant pricing manager/expediter. S.J. Smith has



12 locations in Iowa, Illinois and Missouri which provide individualized service to customers large and small, based on the company values of honesty and integrity, customer-driven excellence, flexibility and safety.

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