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## ANSELL INTRODUCES FIRST ERGONOMIC CERTIFIED CHEMICAL GLOVE

Ansell's AlphaTec® 58-128, equipped with ergonomic technology to improve comfort and fit, launches at Grainger Show

9 February 2016 – Iselin, NJ – Ansell, a global leader in protection solutions, today introduced the newly designed AlphaTec 58-128, the first ergonomically certified chemical glove. Equipped with Ansell ERGOFORM™ Ergonomic Design Technology, the light duty chemical glove maximizes worker productivity by minimizing hand fatigue and discomfort. The glove delivers high-performance musculoskeletal support and reduces the risk of ergonomic injury caused by prolonged or repetitive manual tasks while providing protection against irritant contact fluids found in the workplace.

Occupational musculoskeletal disorders, such as carpal tunnel syndrome and tendinitis, are a leading cause of lost workday injury and illness. The AlphaTec 58-128 combats hand discomfort through ergonomic construction combining a flexible open weave knit liner and stretchy nitrile formulation coating to provide better dexterity and tactility for prolonged periods of wear for the worker. Designed to maintain a level of comfort, the glove conforms to the shape of the wearer's hand, enabling natural movement and reducing hand fatigue.

"At Ansell, we're committed to transforming global insight about workers' needs into new technologies and products; ERGOFORM Technology was developed out of a direct worker need across industries to minimize hand fatigue," said Steve Genzer, President and General Manager of the Ansell Industrial Global Business Unit. "Today, we're proud to supply chemical workers with an ergonomic personal protection solution that will provide comfort, along with performance and protection, in the workplace."

In addition to ERGOFORM, AlphaTec 58-128 is designed with Thin Nitrile Technology to provide a barrier for superior hand protection against oils and other irritant fluids, including selective chemical risks with forearm splash protection. The glove also features ANSELL GRIP™ Technology, which offers more precise handling of small oily or wet parts, helps to relieve hand fatigue and improves dexterity, safety and productivity.

Ansell AlphaTec 58-128 gloves are available in five sizes, and are ideal for a number of industries, including chemical, machinery & equipment, metal fabrication, automotive and agriculture.

For more information on AlphaTec 58-128 gloves or other products from the AlphaTec glove line, reference the many <u>AlphaTec® resources</u> available. For more information on Ansell, call 800.800.0444 in the U.S. or visit <u>www.ansell.com</u>, <u>www.facebook.com/ansellsafety</u>, <u>www.twitter.com/AnsellSafety</u>, or <u>Worker Experience</u>





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Ansell is a world leader in providing superior health and safety protection solutions that enhance human well-being.

With operations in North America, Latin America/Caribbean, EMEA and Asia, Ansell employs nearly 15,000 people worldwide and holds leading positions in the personal protective equipment and medical gloves market, as well as in the sexual health and well-being category worldwide. Ansell operates in four main business segments: Medical, Industrial, Single Use and Sexual Wellness.

Information on Ansell and its products can be found at www.ansell.com.



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<sup>i</sup> AlphaTec 58-128 has been certified by United States Ergonomics. Certification is based on a series of tests developed specifically for a product family for the purpose of quantifying the ergonomic factors associated with the design. To obtain certification, it must be evident that the product or equipment meets or exceeds threshold criteria for approval.

ii U.S. Occupational Safety & Health Administration, "Prevention of Musculoskeletal Disorders in the Workplace" https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/ergonomics/index.html

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