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Midland Manufacturer Launches Hand Sanitizer Production

Shotwell Hydrogenics to produce 25,000 gallons a day

(MIDLAND, TEXAS - March 27, 2020) - As a nationwide shortage of hand sanitizer continues to daunt the country, chemical manufacturer Shotwell Hydrogenics, is answering the call by pivoting production to the anti-microbial. The Midland-based facility will produce both a 70% (v/v) isopropyl alcohol formulation as well as a 70% (v/v) ethyl alcohol formulation. Manufacturing begins next week and will supply liquid hand sanitizer on a commercial scale to distributors.

"Like many businesses across the U.S., we asked ourselves how we could be of service to our community and to others during this unprecedented time," said Bravis Brown, CEO of Shotwell Hydrogenics. "Our research and development team quickly identified what we would need to start producing hand sanitizer, and we're ready to blend 25,000 gallons a day to help meet the needs of those industries with critical needs."

The hand sanitizer formulation and testing were overseen by Dr. Robert Geiger, VP of Product Development, for Shotwell's parent company, BPS Just Energy Technology. "Our hand sanitizer formula is consistent with FDA recommendations. We're proud that we could stand up manufacturing quickly and be a valuable resource during this time of hand sanitizer scarcity," said Dr. Geiger.

While the hand sanitizer will not initially be bottled as a consumer product, Shotwell will send totes in bulk to commercial customers and distributors. Availability and pricing are based on quantity and individual bulk customer needs and are being spearheaded by the organization's senior leadership team.

Shotwell is a state-of-the-art, ISO9001:2015 certified and NSF (National Sanitation Foundation) certified chemical manufacturing plant with strict quality assurance and quality control measures in place.

Prior to the foray into hand sanitizer compounding, Shotwell has been producing proprietary oilfield and agricultural chemicals for innovation-led customers. The facility will continue to meet current customer needs while adding the hand sanitizer product to their portfolio.

About Shotwell Hydrogenics

Shotwell Hydrogenics is a chemical manufacturing facility, specializing in performance monitoring and chemical management services, including water-soluble toll blending, chemical selection, and verification. The Midland, Texas-based facility is ISO9001:2015 certified and can blend up to 57.6 million gallons annually. Learn more at shotwellhydrogenics.com.

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