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PRAXAIR FOUNDATION SPONSORS U.S. EXPANSION OF NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATH PROGRAM FOR YOUNG WOMEN

DANBURY, Conn., July 12, 2013 -- Praxair, Inc. (NYSE: PX), today announced its charitable foundation has donated \$105,000 to the American Association of University Women (AAUW) to support the national expansion of *Tech Savvy*, the group's successful science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) program for young women, to ten new cities. The AAUW is considering cities in which Praxair has operations, including, Chicago, Houston, Indianapolis and the states of Connecticut and Mississippi.

Founded in 2006 by the AAUW Buffalo, New York branch and sponsored by Praxair, *Tech Savvy* is an annual, day-long conference designed to expose young women in middle school to the opportunities and careers in STEM fields through educational and fun hands-on activities.

"Ensuring there is a population of eager, focused and high-performing women in STEM fields is vital to our company's success," said Sue Neumann, vice president of Praxair Communications and president of the Praxair Foundation. "We are proud to support the AAUW and programs like *Tech Savvy* that help ensure young women are prepared to meet the complex technological challenges facing the world today."

Tech Savvy received national recognition from the White House in 2011, when Praxair's Leader of Community Engagement and founder of the program, Tamara Brown, was named as a *White House Champion of Change*.

"Praxair has supported this effort since its inception and has helped to demystify STEM careers for thousands of young women," said Brown. "Because of the opportunities provided, more young women are becoming empowered to change the world."

About Praxair

Praxair, Inc. is the largest industrial gases company in North and South America, and one of the largest worldwide, with 2012 sales of \$11 billion. The company produces, sells and distributes atmospheric, process and specialty gases, and high-performance surface coatings. Praxair products, services and technologies are making our planet more productive by bringing efficiency and environmental benefits to a wide variety of industries, including aerospace, chemicals, food and beverage, electronics, energy, healthcare, manufacturing, metals and others. More information about Praxair, Inc. is available at www.praxair.com.

About American Association of University Women

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) empowers women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research. Our nonpartisan, nonprofit organization has more than 165,000 members and supporters across the United States, as well as 1,000 local branches and 800 college and university partners. Since AAUW's founding in 1881, our members have examined and taken positions on the fundamental issues of the day — educational, social, economic, and political. Learn more and join us at www.aauw.org.