

MEGADYNE Introduces “It’s So Easy Being Green” Training Program Healthcare Providers Learn Green Practices and Earn Continuing Education Credit

Draper, Utah—September 28, 2009— More than four million tons(1) of general waste is produced annually by U.S. health care facilities(2).

To support the Association of periOperative Registered Nurses, Inc's. (AORN) guidelines encouraging hospitals and surgical centers to create environmentally responsible policies and procedures, MEGADYNE introduces the education program “It’s So Easy Being Green.” This title is the fourth in MEGADYNE’s continuing education curriculum. MEGADYNE Medical Products is the developer, manufacturer and supplier of electrosurgical products.

The educational program, available online at www.megadyne.com, presents an impartial discussion of medical equipment and vendors that conform to green practices by minimizing packaging to decrease waste. Topics discussed during the training include:

- Waste management
- Resource conservation and recycling practices
- Applied conservation
- Item reprocessing, reuse and repair
- Green construction practices

All MEGADYNE continuing education programs are approved by AORN, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. Participants will be awarded one contact hour of continuing education credit and will receive a certificate of completion for each seminar attended.

"Education is the key to successfully planning and implementing green practices," said Michael Hintze, vice president of marketing at MEGADYNE. "As a company we see our responsibility as twofold. First to offer ‘green’ reusable and resposable electrosurgical technologies that are both environmentally and fiscally responsible and, second, providing information about other vendors and materials that are designed to reduce waste and benefit our environment. This program reinforces our commitment to both green products and education."

For more information or to register for “It’s Easy Being Green” please register online at www.megadyne.com.

About MEGADYNE

MEGADYNE, www.megadyne.com, is the recognized authority on non-stick electrosurgical electrodes and cost-effective surgical devices. The company was founded in 1985 to facilitate the research and development of high quality, cost effective medical products for surgeons and nurses. After nearly two decades of innovation, its research and development team has continued to bring to market revolutionary electrosurgical devices and accessories to keep pace with the changing

needs of healthcare professionals. MEGADYNE's products have been proven in thousands of operating rooms and surgical centers in most regions of the world. Its complete line of products include: the Mega Power™ Electrosurgical Generator, the E-Z Clean® line of non-stick electrosurgical tips, the revolutionary reusable Mega Soft® Patient Return Electrode System, the E-Z Pen™ Electrosurgical Pencil, Resposable Laparoscopic Electrodes with MegaTip® and Indicator Shaft® technology, electrosurgical pencils, open procedure electrodes, laparoscopic electrodes, and many other electrosurgical accessories.

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