

## **Cabot Microelectronics Corporation Earns Samsung's Best in Value Award**

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Aurora, Illinois, Sept. 30, 2014 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Cabot Microelectronics Corporation (Nasdaq: CCMP), the world's leading supplier of chemical mechanical planarization (CMP) polishing slurries and a growing CMP pad supplier to the semiconductor industry, announced today that it earned Samsung Electronics' Best in Value Award in recognition of the Company's outstanding support, contributions and performance in 2014. The award was presented to Cabot Microelectronics at Samsung's Supplier Appreciation Day in California on September 22, 2014. Cabot Microelectronics Corporation was one of only two suppliers to receive the award, and the only materials supplier.

"We are proud to have earned this prestigious Best in Value Award from Samsung, a key strategic customer of ours," stated William Noglows, Cabot Microelectronics' Chairman and CEO. "We believe this recognition exemplifies our focus on innovating game-changing technology and our capabilities in supply chain management and quality systems around the globe. We look forward to continuing to build upon our strong relationship with Samsung by closely collaborating to consistently deliver innovative, high-quality, high-performing and reliable CMP products and solutions."

### **ABOUT CABOT MICROELECTRONICS CORPORATION**

Cabot Microelectronics Corporation, headquartered in Aurora, Illinois, is the world's leading supplier of CMP polishing slurries and a growing CMP pad supplier to the semiconductor industry. The company's products play a critical role in the production of advanced semiconductor devices, enabling the manufacture of smaller, faster and more complex devices by its customers. The company's mission is to create value by developing reliable and innovative solutions, through close customer collaboration, that solve today's challenges and help enable tomorrow's technology. Since becoming an independent public company in 2000, the company has grown to approximately 1,050 employees on a global basis. For more information about Cabot Microelectronics Corporation, visit [www.cabotcmp.com](http://www.cabotcmp.com) or contact Trisha Tuntland, Manager of Investor Relations at 630-499-2600.

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