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Kemin Industries Hosts Grand Opening for Worldwide Headquarters

Completing a five-year, $125.5 million overall investment in the Des Moines community

DES MOINES, Iowa (August 29, 2017) – Today Kemin Industries employees and central Iowa community leaders will gather for a private ceremony to celebrate the official grand opening of the company's worldwide headquarters in Des Moines.

The event will feature tributes to the company's rich history of innovation, science and entrepreneurship as a leader in improving the quality, safety and efficacy of food, feed and health-related products in a global market. More than 600 attendees will have the opportunity to tour the building, enjoy food from all of the Kemin global locations and hear remarks from Dr. Chris Nelson, President and CEO of Kemin and Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds, as well as join in a molecular structure connection ceremony to signify the new headquarters as unifying the employees at corporate headquarters.

"The new headquarters is more than a building—it's an investment in providing the resources our team members need to move forward our company vision of improving the quality of life by touching half of the people of the world every day with our products and services," said Dr. Chris Nelson, President and CEO of Kemin. "By unifying our employees in one location, innovation and collaboration will increase and we now have a place to welcome our entire global team."

The new building, a $30 million investment, completes a five-year, $125.5 million overall investment in Kemin Des Moines facilities. Located in the emerging development area of the southeast corridor near downtown, the 94,000 square foot building houses work spaces, laboratories, collaboration areas and a fitness center. More than 500 Des Moines-based employees moved into the headquarters in January.

Since 1961 when the company was founded by R.W. and Mary Nelson, Kemin has been headquartered in Des Moines and has actively been involved in the community including support of Habitat for Humanity, Youth Emergency Services and Shelter (YESS) and The World Food Prize.

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About Kemin Industries

Kemin (www.kemin.com) has been dedicated to using applied science to improve the quality of life for over half a century. As a global company touching 3.6 billion people every day with its products, Kemin is committed to improving the quality, safety and efficacy of food, feed and health-related products to feed a growing population and be a resource for others in need.

Committed to feed and food safety, Kemin maintains top-of-the-line manufacturing facilities where over 500 specialty ingredients are made for humans and animals in the global feed and food industries, as well as the health, nutrition and beauty markets. The company provides product solutions and options to customers in more than 120 countries.

A privately held, family-owned and operated company, Kemin has more than 2,000 global employees and operates in 90 countries including manufacturing facilities in Belgium, Brazil, China, India, Italy, Russia, Singapore, South Africa and the United States.

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