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## **CooperVision Opens LEED Master Site Plant in Costa Rica** ***Energy-Efficient Manufacturing Facility Employs Approximately 250 Local Residents***

**PLEASANTON, CALIF., June 15, 2016** — CooperVision, one of the world's leading manufacturers of soft contact lenses, has opened a newly constructed, energy efficient, 100,000-square-foot manufacturing plant at Coyol Business Park in Alajuela, Costa Rica, the company announced today.

CooperVision's core project team honored Costa Rica's commitment to sustainability with energy-efficient utilities and materials in the facility's design, including a high-efficiency luminary system with natural light support in its main corridors, a vegetable oil-powered main transformer to reduce energy and environmental waste, rain water tanks for toilets and waterless urinals, and a lubricated air compressor to cut energy consumption.

The plant's operating processes were designed for energy conservation, as well. Up to 90 percent of solid waste and 100 percent of plastic components generated by the manufacturing process will be recycled, and over 90 percent of electricity consumed at the plant will be generated from renewable sources, including hydroelectric power stations. The plant has a reduce, reuse, recycle waste management program, and is a tobacco-free campus with motorcycle facilities and a dedication to mass transportation for employees. Environmentally-friendly chemicals and processes will be used for pest control, and indoor environmental quality processes are in place for manufacturing rooms.

There is potential for the company to expand as the needs of the plant grow. CooperVision partnered with local architects in Alajuela to plan smart growth and sustainable development plans to maximize land use and minimize environmental impact.

"Our newest manufacturing facility is a showcase for how forward-looking companies can be stewards for environmentally sustainable practices," said Fernando Torre, chief operations officer for CooperVision. "Costa Rica is globally respected for its environmental commitments, and CooperVision is privileged to share in its long-term vision for creating economic opportunity and growth in a responsible manner."

Costa Rica was chosen for the manufacturing site for its competitive infrastructure, stable economy, educated work force, and strong presence of medical device companies. The plant currently employs approximately 250 people.

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### **About CooperVision**

CooperVision, a unit of The Cooper Companies, Inc. (NYSE:COO), is one of the world's leading manufacturers of soft contact lenses. The Company produces a full array of monthly, two-week and daily disposable contact lenses, all featuring advanced materials and optics. CooperVision has a strong heritage of solving the toughest vision challenges such as astigmatism and presbyopia; and offers the most complete collection of spherical, toric and multifocal products available. Through a combination of innovative products and focused practitioner support, the company brings a refreshing perspective to the marketplace, creating real advantages for customers and wearers. For more information, visit [www.coopervision.com](http://www.coopervision.com).

### **About The Cooper Companies**

The Cooper Companies, Inc. ("Cooper") is a global medical device company publicly traded on the NYSE Euronext (NYSE:COO). Cooper is dedicated to being A Quality of Life Company™ with a focus on delivering shareholder value. Cooper operates through two business units, CooperVision and CooperSurgical. CooperVision brings a

refreshing perspective on vision care with a commitment to developing a wide range of high-quality products for contact lens wearers and providing focused practitioner support. CooperSurgical focuses on supplying women's health clinicians with market-leading products and treatment options to improve the delivery of health care to women. Headquartered in Pleasanton, CA, Cooper has approximately 10,000 employees with products sold in over 100 countries. For more information, please visit [www.coopercos.com](http://www.coopercos.com).

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