

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 3, 2020

Media Contact

Alexandra Hayes
Director, Communications
484-888-4412 | ahayes@consumered.org

## HCPA Supports the EPA's Commitment to Preventing Products Making False COVID-19 Claims

Washington D.C. – The Household & Commercial Products Association (HCPA) released the following statement today, attributed to Steve Caldeira, President & CEO of HCPA, after the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) reaffirmed its commitment to preventing products making false claims of effectiveness against COVID-19 from coming to market.

"The EPA has received tips and complaints about products making false claims against COVID-19, including lanyards that claim to protect wearers from coronavirus, as well as disinfectant tablets, sprays and wipes. These products are not registered with the EPA and are not legal for sale in the U.S.

HCPA has been working with Congress and the Administration for years on how to stop counterfeit products from coming into the country.

The coronavirus pandemic highlights the dangers that can come from unregistered and illegal products making false claims. When evaluating products to use against COVID-19, it's critically important that consumers consult the EPA's <u>List N: Disinfectants for Use Against SARS-CoV-2</u> since other products may not be effective against COVID-19 or could be hazardous to one's health.

HCPA will continue to support the EPA in their focused effort to prevent products making false claims of effectiveness against COVID-19 from getting into the hands of consumers."

###

## **About HCPA**

The Household & Commercial Products Association (HCPA) is the premier trade association representing companies that manufacture and sell \$180 billion annually of trusted and familiar products used for cleaning, protecting, maintaining, and disinfecting homes and commercial environments. HCPA member companies employ 200,000 people in the U.S. whose work helps consumers and workers to create cleaner, healthier and more productive lives.