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## EPA Approves Thirteen Surface Disinfectants Tested on SARS-CoV-2

Washington D.C. – The Household & Commercial Products Association (HCPA) released the following statement today, attributed to Steve Caldeira, President & CEO, after the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) <u>announced</u> that thirteen surface disinfectants from <u>List N</u> have been tested and proven effective against SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19.

"Since the very start of the coronavirus pandemic, the EPA has been focused on identifying products that can be used against SARS-CoV-2 and making this information available through List N. These surface disinfectants are registered with the EPA and meet certain criteria, including demonstrating efficacy against a harder-to-kill virus.

Now, products can be tested specifically against SARS-CoV-2, and 13 surface disinfectants from List N have been approved by the EPA as effective, including 12 products from Lonza and one Lysol product from RB. This is in addition to two Lysol products (Lysol Disinfectant Spray and Lysol Disinfectant Max Cover Mist) that were recently tested and approved, bringing the total number of products in this category to 15.

This is another critical step in the effort to fight the spread of COVID-19, and we applaud the EPA for their dedication to provide the American public with the critical and timely resources they need to navigate this public health crisis. We also commend Lonza and RB – as well as many other HCPA member companies – for their tireless and ongoing work on the frontlines to provide the essential products that keep all of us safe and healthy."

The EPA also recently <u>announced</u> the addition of 32 new surface disinfectants to List N, bringing the total number of approved products that can be used against SARS-CoV-2 to 469. The 32 new products had previously been approved for killing the pathogen that causes tuberculosis and are expected to kill SARS-CoV-2.

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## 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.

