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Forest Lighting donates 400 LED lamps to county animal shelter

BATAVIA, Ohio (March 19, 2015) – Forest Lighting USA, one of the largest manufacturers of LED lighting, has selected the Clermont County animal shelter as its annual Charity Showcase, and will donate approximately 400 LED replacement lamps to the shelter.

“We are very excited to provide this service to the Clermont to the Rescue Humane Society and Clermont County,” said Margaret Moreno-Coplen, Director of Sales for Forest Lighting, which is headquartered in Marietta, Ga.

Clermont to the Rescue Humane Society operates the county animal shelter. The lamps will become the property of Clermont County, which owns the building and its permanent fixtures.

The lamps, which have a retail value of approximately \$18,400, have an estimated yearly energy savings of \$2,080, and can last up to 50,000 hours, compared to 10,000 hours for fluorescent lights, said Moreno-Coplen. The county will save approximately \$26,429 over the life of the lamps, she noted. These LED lamps, encased in polymer plastic, are silent, contain no mercury, emit less heat, and have a clean, crisp color “temperature.”

Forest Lighting USA is a subsidiary of MLS Co., Ltd., of China. MLS is among the top 10 largest LED manufacturers in the world. Moreno-Coplen, whose sales office is located in Cincinnati, is active in local animal rescue.

Each year, Forest Lighting selects one project for this Charity Showcase. Past showcases have included Habitat for Humanity homes and schools, Moreno-Coplen said. “We believe in paying it forward, and this project is a great example of that.”

“We are very pleased to receive this donation from Forest Lighting,” said Ed Humphrey, President of the Board of County Commissioners (BCC). “Not only does it help our animal shelter, it reflects our commitment to energy efficiency.”

“Lighting will improve, and bills will be lower,” said Bob Proud, Vice President of the BCC. “This will help to stretch the animal shelter’s budget.”

“Forest Lighting had many projects to choose from,” added Commissioner David Uible. “We certainly appreciate their selection of the Clermont County animal shelter.”