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EZ OFFICE PRODUCTS ADAPTS BUSINESS OPERATIONS TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC; ALSO PROVIDES EMPLOYEES OPTIONS TO BE PAID FOR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Madison, WI – April 14, 2020 – EZ Office Products (EZOP), the only independent office supply company serving businesses throughout the Greater Madison area, has announced that it has shifted its operations to meet the needs of today's business customers.

To accommodate the rapidly growing number of business people who are now utilizing home offices instead of working from commercial office space, EZOP is making deliveries to residential addresses and will continue to do so for as long as these temporary working conditions are in place. There is a possibility it might become part of the company's "new normal". As a business-to-business company, this is the first time EZOP has delivered products to residential homes.

EZOP President Rose Molz explained that what has happened over the last few weeks has challenged the company to "take up the gauntlet".

"There has been no preparation time for business owners to prepare – in many cases this meant moving all workers away from their normal business location and corporate space in a matter of days or even hours," Molz described. "We've worked quickly to modify our operations and restructure our delivery routes to ensure local workers get needed office supplies, in a very safe manner, even if that means delivery is at their homes."

Molz went on to explain another important new initiative of EZOP. She and EZOP co-owner, Gary Molz, have come up with what they feel is their best plan to help employees through this difficult time. A reduction in company operating hours has meant a decrease in work hours for EZOP team members.

In an effort to keep full pay to those employees who have reduced hours, EZOP is offering the option for employees to continue earning their regular pay while volunteering at a local community organization.



Molz explained, "The workday has quickly changed for our employees – and we wanted to figure out creative ways to both keep employees busy and help out community organizations that are stretched thinner than ever. For EZOP employees who have reduced workdays, this is a way they can continue to receive their pay and make positive and importance difference for others throughout the greater Madison area."

ABOUT EZ Office Products (EZOP)

EZ Office Products is the only independent office supply company in the greater-Madison area. A woman-owned business, EZOP was founded in 2006 by Rose and Gary Molz. The company embraces old-fashioned values and principles that include honesty, great products at fair prices, knowledgeable service, and experience. They have a mission to change the competitive landscape and the desire to make a positive difference in the world by giving back to the local and global community.

EZOP has <u>earned its "Green Professional" status</u> as part of the Wisconsin Sustainable Business Council Green Masters Program. As well, the company has been an MPower Business Champion, a nationally recognized model for achieving sustainability success from within an organization.

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