RISE Honors Wendell Codner of FMC



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PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Wendell Codner of FMC Corporation was recently honored by Responsible Industry for a Sound Environment (RISE) with the "Committee Chairman's Service Award."

During his eight-year tenure as a member of the Programs & Membership Committee, including two years as the committee's chair, Codner has spent countless hours helping to recruit new members, design the RISE annual meeting and communicate the organization's message to policy makers, businesses and consumers.

RISE is the national association representing manufacturers, formulators, distributors and other industry leaders involved with pesticide and fertilizer products. The association brings to life the health and environmental benefits provided through the use of these products by appealing to the hearts and minds of legislators, regulators and influential constituents.

Codner has nearly 30 years experience in chemical manufacturing, all of it with FMC. After graduating from Tuskegee University in 1984, he joined the company as a sales representative in the Agricultural Chemical Group. Since then, he has held numerous positions, including national sales manager for the Professional Solutions and Agricultural Divisions and Marketing Manager for Professional Solutions. Today, he serves as business manager of Consumer Solutions for FMC Professional Solutions, which develops and markets active ingredients to the consumer marketers who sell in that channel.

Throughout his career, Codner has worked to help FMC and other corporations recognize the benefits of diversity in the workplace. In addition to serving on the company's Diversity Leadership Council, Codner has been vice chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Caribbean Association of Southern New Jersey (CASNJ) and is the current president of the Ole' Farmers Association, North America (OFANA). Both organizations fund scholarships to students attending

colleges and universities in the United States and at the College of Agriculture, Science & Education (CASE) in Codner's native Jamaica.

Codner also graduated from the Jamaica School of Agriculture and The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania and has coached soccer in his adopted hometown of Mt. Laurel, N.J.