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## **HAND SANITIZER IN HIGH VOLUME COMING FROM WOONSOCKET AIDANCE SCIENTIFIC**

Woonsocket, RI - March 30, 2020 - Aidance Scientific, based in Woonsocket, will begin supplying the RI Emergency Management Agency, state and municipal government, and RI employers with hand sanitizer. Aidance is an FDA-registered manufacturer of non-prescription topical medications that has been providing solutions to customers worldwide since 2004. As a supplier to national and regional US pharmacies with its regular products, the company is set up to meet high-volume demand.

**We are Glad to Be of Service.** When the company was first contacted by the Rhode Island Commerce Corporation (Commerce RI) on behalf of the RI Department of Health on March 16, Aidance had already begun developing a solution. According to company co-founder, David Goldsmith, "Aidance employees are very excited to have a role in helping Rhode Islanders on the front lines in healthcare, government, manufacturing and other essential businesses to stay safe. Our name, Aidance, means 'to help'."

**This is What We Will be Providing.** Under its brand family, Terrasil®, Aidance is producing both a 75% isopropyl alcohol and 80% ethyl alcohol spray, available for official government purchasing and RI companies only. Employers can place orders for 48-unit cases via a dedicated company website: [www.safehandsanitizer.us](http://www.safehandsanitizer.us). The company expects to begin shipping orders on April 6, and, thereafter, may be able to fill orders of 200,000 units or more.

**We Need to Hear from Companies So We Can Anticipate Demand.** As the global demand for hand sanitizer has climbed during the COVID-19 pandemic, sources for ingredients and containers are harder to find and more expensive. Aidance is working daily to meet RI's demand. However, according to Mr. Goldsmith, "Aidance needs to hear from RI companies so it knows how much is needed. They should visit our hand sanitizer website as soon as possible."

**Who We Are:** "Aidance Scientific develops, manufactures and distributes non-prescription topical medications worldwide. The company was founded in 2004. The company's products are available at national and regional pharmacies and other retailers throughout the US, as well as on Amazon.com and Aidance' own company website, [www.aidanceproducts.com](http://www.aidanceproducts.com). Its current products are formulated to benefit people with shingles, bacterial, viral and fungal skin conditions, eczema, psoriasis, minor wounds & burns, and muscle & joint pain. In 2014, Aidance created a subsidiary company, Abacus Health Products, which became a public company in 2019. Abacus was formed with the mission to develop advanced topical formulations that combine CBD hemp extract and oil from the Cannabis sativa L. plant with active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs) to deliver pain relief and therapeutic skincare. One of Abacus' brands, CBDMEDIC™ is promoted by Robert Gronkowski (Gronk), the former New England Patriots three-time professional football champion.



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