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M. A. SILVA USA DONATES \$10,000 TO SUPPORT VALLEY FIRE VICTIMS

Santa Rosa, CA, December 1, 2015 – M. A. Silva, the leading manufacturer of cork, glass and packaging, has donated \$10,000 to the Lake County Rising Fire Relief Fund to support victims of the Valley Fire and other 2015 fires that have devastated many homes and businesses in Middletown and Cobb, spreading from Lake County into Sonoma and Napa counties. Additional generous donations from employees supplemented this effort. “Our heart goes out to all affected by this terrible tragedy,” said Neil Foster, President of M. A. Silva USA. “We wanted to contribute and hope to make a meaningful difference in the lives of those struggling to rebuild from this devastating disaster.”

Giving back to the communities we live and work in has always been a priority at M. A. Silva. A Charity Committee organizes several Food Drives throughout the year benefiting the Redwood Empire Food Bank, a Cold Weather Collection Drive for the Redwood Gospel Mission, and Back-To-School and Toy Drives benefiting the Central Sonoma County Boys & Girls Club. In addition, the company matches employees’ monetary contributions to their favorite charitable organization.

About M. A. Silva USA: Based in Sonoma County, California, M. A. Silva USA is a leading manufacturer of premium natural corks, glass and packaging for North American markets. Its quality-assurance program ensures unmatched visual, mechanical and sensory characteristics of its products. It is the first cork supplier in the U.S. to offer high resolution laser cork printing of unique and variable information to each single cork stopper. The company operates on 100% solar power and is committed to sustainability and eco-friendly operations. M. A. Silva earned both *Sonoma Green Business Program* and *ClimateSmart™* certifications. The company has been named **Best Cork Supplier 2013** by the *North Bay Business Journal* and **Best Cork and Best Bottle Supplier 2013 & 2015** by *Vineyard & Winery Management* magazine. It is a five-time winner of the *North Bay Business Journal’s Best Places to Work*. For more information visit www.masilva.com or call 707.636.2530.

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