The World Environment Center Gold Medal Jury is pleased to announce Ingersoll Rand as the 2019 recipient of WEC’s Gold Medal for International Corporate Achievement in Sustainable Development. Ingersoll Rand was selected for integrating sustainability into the core of their business. The company established and met ambitious sustainability targets that focused on the environmental impact of its operations, products and services, and engaging its people and communities. This was achieved largely by investing in innovative products and services focusing on energy efficiency and emission reductions and incorporating renewable energy into its operations. Its dedicated leadership team, highly engaged workforce, winning culture and dynamic capital allocation strategy make performance sustainable. The result is a differentiated business model that drives strong shareholder returns.

As a global provider of products that heat, cool and automate buildings and transportation, Ingersoll Rand is positioned to help address some significant global challenges – climate change, population growth, urbanization and food access. Ingersoll Rand’s sustainability strategy works across the entire enterprise, including its full value stream from raw materials sourcing and considerations of product end of life impacts. This is reflected in the company’s systematic governance, focus on material priorities, and engaging their employees by embedding Design for Sustainability training into the core of the product development process. These efforts and many others led to significant operational impacts including saving more than 4.3 billion BTUs of energy, nearly 1 million gallons of water, and avoidance of more than 1.5 million pounds of waste.

Michael W. Lamach, Ingersoll Rand chairman and CEO, said, “We are honored to be recognized by the World Environment Center for our contributions to a more sustainable world. Sustainability is core to who we are. The passion and commitment of our people around the world and our leading innovation practices keep us at the forefront of addressing global challenges and enhancing quality of life.”

The Jury congratulates Ingersoll Rand not only for driving sustainability throughout its corporate strategy, policies and operations, but also for its commitments to enhancing the livelihoods of those within and beyond its global supply chain. We extend our sincere congratulations to Ingersoll Rand in earning the 2019 WEC Gold Medal Award.