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LINNE Industries donates solar-powered pond aeration system to Food Bank of Delaware

Milford, Del. (April 27, 2016) – Thanks to a generous donation from LINNE Industries, the pond adjacent to the Food Bank of Delaware’s Milford branch will be healthier and much more visually appealing, rather overgrown with algae.

Earlier this month, LINNE Industries, the Newark-based manufacturer of the patented PondHawk® Solar Pond Aeration System, installed the system in the retention pond.

The patented PondHawk is the first fully-integrated solar-powered pond aeration system that delivers algae and mosquito eliminating bubbles to any pond anywhere without the expense of power delivery costs, electricity and peak demand charges.

PondHawk’s unique stealth and quiet design will not obstruct the beauty of the property, and its battery-free technology operates in variable weather conditions with very low maintenance costs.

“It is our privilege to have a PondHawk tending the pond at the Food Bank.” said Sandra Burton, Co-Founder, LINNE Industries. “LINNE Industries respects the Food Bank’s mission and commitment to environmental stewardship. We are honored to make this contribution to improve the water quality in their storm water pond and by partnering with Envirotech on the installation we used the project to train their staff on the ease of installation.”

Matthew Talley, the Food Bank of Delaware’s Produce Access Coordinator, is credited for developing a viable connection with LINNE Industries, and he was pleased when the Milford branch installation was complete.

“The PondHawk is a fantastic way to showcase the Food Bank of Delaware’s triple bottom line philosophy. We operate a social service organization, and we do it a way that maintains economic viability at all times, but we’re also concerned with *ecological* sustainability. We truly appreciate this opportunity to form a partnership with Linne Industries because it demonstrates our commitment to practicing responsible environmental stewardship. It’s going to improve the water quality of the pond located behind our Milford site, and we look forward to observing the difference it makes,” he said.

Branch Manager Chad Robinson echoed Burton’s and Talley’s sentiments.

“We are very grateful, and we appreciate this generous donation. Although we’re not into the hot summer months yet, we can already see how effectively the PondHawk functions,” he pointed out.

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The Food Bank of Delaware distributes millions of pounds of products each year to its network of 620 hunger-relief program partners throughout the state and also provides thousands of meals a month for children through the After-School Nutrition Program, the Summer Food Service Program and the Backpack Program. The Food Bank’s hunger-relief programs provide for Delawareans at risk of going without meals each year. The Culinary School at the Food Bank of Delaware, the Food Bank’s workforce development arm, provides training for adults interested in

careers in the food service industry. For more information about the Food Bank of Delaware, visit www.fbd.org or call (302) 292-1305.