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**For Immediate Release:**

**Taking Action on the Africa Mercy Ship.**

**Hagerstown, MD, USA, October 27, 2015:** Mistie Witt, President of Action Products, Inc.,-Medical Products Group is participating in a Mercy Ships Vision Trip aboard the *Africa Mercy* hospital ship. This trip is designed to highlight the opportunities for collaboration aboard the humanitarian vessel currently docked in Toamasina, Madagascar. Mrs. Witt will join several colleagues in this experience and show us her personal perspective on a travel blog that can be found at [www.actionproducts.com/MercyShips](http://www.actionproducts.com/MercyShips). In addition to blogging, she will be sharing her experiences on Action's social network.

“This is a remarkable opportunity. I am looking forward to meeting these amazing volunteers, and witnessing the value of their life-altering humanitarian efforts,” remarks Witt.

Joining other Mercy Ships partners, Ethicon and Johnson & Johnson, Action Products will participate in a Twitter Chat from the ship on **Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 1pm EST**. This chat will talk about one of the most significant women's health issues facing developing nations today- Obstetric Fistula. According to the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), there is a backlog of about 50,000 women needing obstetric fistula surgeries in Madagascar. Therefore, Mercy Ships has made it a priority on this field service. We are proud to be associated with such a fine charity and welcome you to be part of the discussion at **#endfistula**.

**About Action Products, Inc.:**

Action Products, Inc. is the manufacturer of Akton<sup>®</sup> viscoelastic polymer pads and positioners. With many pressure and shear reduction qualities, these products are used medically to prevent and treat decubitus ulcers. Action remains the leader in the industry due to its independent clinical studies proving its effectiveness. For more information, please visit [www.actionproducts.com](http://www.actionproducts.com).

**About Mercy Ships:**

Mercy Ships uses hospital ships to deliver free, world-class health care services, capacity building and sustainable development to those without access in the developing world. Founded in 1978 by Don and Deyon Stephens, Mercy Ships has worked in more than 70 countries providing services valued at more than \$1 billion, treating more than 2.5 million direct beneficiaries. Each year Mercy Ships has more than 1,600 volunteers from more than 40 nations. Professionals including surgeons, dentists, nurses, health care trainers, teachers, cooks, seamen, engineers, and agriculturalists donate their time and skills to the effort. Mercy Ships seeks to transform individuals and serve nations one at a time. For more information click on [www.mercyships.org](http://www.mercyships.org)

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