

## **News Release**

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## FLINT HILLS RESOURCES RECEIVES SAFETY AWARDS

**JOLIET, III.** — Flint Hills Resources received the National Petrochemical & Refiners Association's Merit award for safe work achievements at its chemical intermediates plant here.

"The health and safety of employees, contractors, and the communities in which refiners and petrochemical manufacturers operate are, and have always been, the highest priority for NPRA members. NPRA is proud to honor our members' hard work and dedication to safe, secure operations," NPRA Executive Vice President Charles T. Drevna said.

The NPRA awards are part of the association's comprehensive safety program developed to promote accident prevention in the petroleum refining and petrochemical manufacturing industries. NPRA is a national trade association with more than 450 member companies, including virtually all U.S. refiners and petrochemical manufacturers.

"I applaud each employee's efforts to achieve continuous improvement in safety. They exemplify our company's guiding principles, and they are to be commended for the outstanding results," said Brad Razook, FHR president and chief executive officer.

The company has also earned the Thoroughbred Chemical Safety Award from Norfolk Southern Corporation for 2006.

In 2006, the plant earned NPRA's Gold Award for a 61 percent reduction in its recordable rate. It also earned the Merit and Safety Achievement awards for its 2005 performance.

Flint Hills Resources, LP is a wholly owned subsidiary of Koch Industries, Inc. Flint Hills Resources (<u>www.fhr.com</u>) is a leading producer of fuels and other petrochemical products. The Joliet plant is a leading producer of chemical intermediates, including purified isophthalic acid, maleic anhydride and trimellitic anhydride. Flint Hills Resources also supplies and markets commodity and intermediate chemicals all over the globe.