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HALO-FLIGHT ANNOUNCES 2003 GOLF TOURNEY DETAILS

CORPUS CHRISTI, TX - HALO-Flight Air Ambulance Service board members and staff joined representatives of Flint Hills Resources today to announce that the 2003 Flights of Angels Golf Tournament will be held May 5 at North Shore Country Club.

During the news conference, Willis Jernigan, safety and health manager for presenting sponsor, Flint Hills Resources, presented a \$10,000 check to Joanne Salge, funding director for HALO-Flight.

“Flint Hills Resources is very pleased to once again be the title sponsor for the 12th Annual Flights of Angels Golf Tournament,” said Jernigan, who is also a HALO-Flight board member and the 2003 tournament chairman. “This is a vital fundraising effort for HALO-Flight, the only nonprofit air ambulance for South Texas; it helps ensure it can continue its mission to save lives. Flint Hills Resources is committed to supporting endeavors which improve the quality of life in the communities in which we operate, and HALO-Flight is an integral aspect of providing emergency medical services in this region.”

The support of HALO-Flight takes on more meaning this year, as Flint Hills Resources recently observed two years without a significant workplace injury, achieving more than 4 million work-hours and safely processing more than 185 million barrels of crude oil without a lost-time incident. "Safety is paramount to our operations here at Flint Hills Resources, and we routinely conduct drills in the event an incident should occur at one of our plants. HALO-Flight plays an integral role in these practice drills, and it is very reassuring that this air ambulance service is available for all of South Texas," added Jernigan.

At 0.28, Flint Hills Resources 2002 Occupational Safety and Health Administration recordable-incident rate was the lowest in plant history. This compares to an 8.1 rate for all U.S. manufacturing facilities and a 1.4 rate for the petroleum refining industry. This means the facility achieved an incident rate 96 percent lower than the broader industry average and 80 percent lower than the average among U.S. refiners.

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The format for the 2003 tournament is a four-member team scramble, best ball-best position. The \$200 individual and \$800 team entry fees include golf cart, green fees, range balls, shirt, ditty bags, refreshments, on-course contests and awards. Registration for the morning tournament begins at 7:00 a.m. with a shotgun start at 7:30 a.m. The afternoon tournament kicks off at 1 p.m. The top two places in each tournament will be presented with awards plus five random drawings for \$200 each.

Proceeds from the golf tournament will be used to support the life saving services provided by HALO-Flight Air Ambulance Service, the only non-profit air ambulance service with dedicated fixed-wing and helicopter service in South Texas. HALO-Flight's service area covers 26 counties, 28,000 square miles and a population of more than 958,000. Since its inception in 1987, HALO-Flight has transported approximately 6,500 critical patients of accidents, heart attacks, newborns and others who might not have had a chance to survive if transported by a conventional ground ambulance.

Flint Hills Resources, LP, based in Wichita, Kan., is a leading producer of fuels and other petrochemical products. The company operates refineries in Corpus Christi, Texas and Pine Bend, Minn., which process about 600,000 barrels of crude oil daily. More information is available at www.fhr.com.