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Norfolk Southern Recognizes Safest Chemical Customers

NORFOLK, VA - Norfolk Southern (NYSE: NSC) has cited 37 customers as recipients of its Thoroughbred Chemical Safety Award for safe handling of hazardous chemicals.

The customers each shipped more than 1,000 carloads of hazardous chemicals without incident on Norfolk Southern during 2002, the seventh year the company has given the award. Combined, they safely moved more than 165,000 carloads of hazardous chemicals without a single release of product.

"The efforts of these companies to safeguard deliveries of hazardous chemicals deserve special recognition," said David R. Goode, NS chairman, president and chief executive officer. "Railroads have the best safety record among all transportation modes in hauling hazardous materials, and we are pleased these companies have selected Norfolk Southern to handle their business."

Here are the 2002 winners.

- AKZO Nobel Chemicals Inc.
- the Archer Daniels Midland Company plants at Decatur, Ill., and Peoria, Ill.
- BP Products North America
- Celanese Ltd.
- Citgo Asphalt Refining Co.
- ConocoPhillips Company
- The Dow Chemical Company
- the DuPont Corp. plant at Belle, W.Va.
- Eaglebrook Inc.
- Eastman Chemical Co., with lead logistics provider Cendian Corporation
- the Enterprise Products Company plant at Dragon, Miss.
- Finnchem USA Inc.
- Georgia Gulf Corp.
- Horsehead Resources
- Huntsman Corporation
- International Commodities Exporters
- Koch Industries
- Koppers Industries Inc.
- Lyondell Chemical Company
- NorFalco Sales Inc.
- NOVA Chemicals Inc.
- the Occidental Chemical Corp. plant at Evans City, Ala.
- Olin Corporation
- the PCS Phosphate plants at Lee Creek, N.C., and Occidental, Fla.
- PPG Industries Inc.

- Praxair Inc.
- Premcor Refining Group
- Rhodia Inc.
- Rohm & Haas Co.
- Shell Chemical Company
- Sunbelt Chlor Alkali Partnership
- the Sunoco Chemicals Inc. plants at Marcus Hook, Pa., and Toledo, Ohio
- Valero Marketing & Supply Company
- Young Refining Corporation

Norfolk Southern Corporation is one of the nation's premier transportation companies. Its Norfolk Southern Railway subsidiary operates 21,500 route miles in 22 states, the District of Columbia and Ontario, serving every major container port in the eastern United States and providing superior connections to western rail carriers. NS operates the East's most extensive intermodal network and is the nation's largest rail carrier of automotive parts and finished vehicles.

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