



## News Release

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### FLINT HILLS RESOURCES RECEIVES SAFETY AWARDS

**WICHITA, Kan.** — Flint Hills Resources today received awards from NPRA, the National Petrochemical & Refiners Association, for safe work achievements. The Corpus Christi, Texas, refining complex and the Joliet, Ill., plant earned Gold, Merit and Safety Achievement awards, while the North Pole, Alaska, refinery earned a Merit award and the Rosemount, Minn., refinery earned a Safety Achievement award.

“Flint Hills Resources is a safety leader in the refining industry because its dedicated employees live a way of life built around safety. These dedicated employees work each day to prevent accidents,” said Bob Slaughter, NPRA president.

The NPRA awards are given to facilities in the petroleum refining and petrochemical manufacturing industries for an excellent U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration record of safe operations during the year.

Gold Awards are given for 25 percent reduction in 2005 recordable rate, from the previous three year rates. The Corpus Christi refinery and the Joliet plant earned this award for a 67 percent and 61 percent reduction in recordable rate, respectively.

The Merit Award is given to companies for achieving a total recordable incidence rate of 1.2 or less for the calendar year. The award for Safety Achievement is given to facilities for operating one or more years without a lost workday case involving days away from work, and/or working at least 1 million or more hours without a lost-time incident.

“We strive to be the operator of choice in the communities we serve. Safety is a top priority and we work to continuously improve our processes and systems to be a safe place to work,” said Brad Razook, FHR president.

In 2003 and 2004, the Corpus Christi refining complex earned the Association’s most prestigious award, the Distinguished Safety Award, for attaining a superior level of safety performance for calendar years 2002 and 2003.

*Flint Hills Resources, LP, is a wholly owned subsidiary of Koch Industries, Inc. Flint Hills Resources ([www.fhr.com](http://www.fhr.com)) is a leading producer of fuels and other petrochemical products. The company operates refineries in Corpus Christi, Texas, North Pole, Alaska, and Rosemount, Minn., as well as a chemical intermediates plant near Joliet, Ill.*

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