

## KOCH-GLITSCH CANADA RECEIVES SECOND IAPA HEALTH AND SAFETY AWARD

### IAPA'S AWARDS PROGRAM HELPS ENSURE WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY

**Toronto, Ontario – February 15, 2007** – Today, IAPA (Industrial Accident Prevention Association) recognized Koch-Glitsch Canada LP, a manufacturer of mass transfer products, with a Level II Health & Safety Achievement Award for its workplace health and safety performance. The Level II Award was presented to Koch-Glitsch's facility in Uxbridge, Ontario, which previously received IAPA's Level I Health & Safety Achievement Award in May 2005.

Koch-Glitsch has consistently posted a lost-time injury (LTI) frequency significantly lower than the average associated with its rate group by the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board. The company has experienced no LTIs since 2002.

"IAPA applauds Koch-Glitsch's commitment to developing and maintaining a safe and healthy workplace," says Craig Fairclough, Principal Consultant, IAPA, who presented Koch-Glitsch with the Level II Award. "By using IAPA's progressive awards program as an instrument to measure its own health and safety program, Koch-Glitsch is demonstrating a commitment to going above and beyond legal requirements to ensure the well-being of its staff."

"This recognition is a testament to the commitment and dedication shown by our employees," said Bob DiFulgentiz, president of Koch-Glitsch Canada. "Daily, this team works to create value for customers efficiently and in a safe manner. This award certainly affirms their leadership within this industry and Canada."

Koch-Glitsch is receiving the Level II Award in recognition of results achieved as of November 22, 2006, when IAPA conducted an on-site verification of the Uxbridge facility's progress towards a systematic, dedicated approach to health and safety management. Koch-Glitsch met the requirements set out in a self-assessment report and successfully demonstrated that their prevention methods, legislative compliance, management practices, and LTI frequency met IAPA's specific award requirements. This includes how hazards are assessed and controlled, as well as a demonstrated commitment to, and knowledge of, health and safety.

Koch-Glitsch successfully demonstrated that its prevention methods met more stringent requirements than the ones set for IAPA's Level I Award. While the first level recognizes workplaces for ensuring that their health and safety programs meet basic legislative requirements and management practices, as well as a less-than-group average LTI frequency for a 12-month period, the next two levels build on this foundation.

IAPA's three-level Health and Safety Awards program marks significant milestones in an organization's journey to achieving workplace health and safety excellence, and recognizes companies that take a proactive approach, while ensuring their health and safety initiatives address industry standards and the needs of employees. The program also provides guidelines for incorporating effective health and safety processes into an organization's plan, management practices, and injury prevention programs.

Koch-Glitsch's Uxbridge facility is one of only nine companies to receive IAPA's Level II Achievement Award. To date, 54 companies have received IAPA Achievement Awards since the launch of the progressive awards program in 2002.

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Koch-Glitsch Canada LP is a leader in the design and manufacture of state-of-the-art mass transfer products for the chemical, petrochemical, refining, gas processing, pharmaceutical, and specialty industries. The company, which is a Koch Chemical Technology Group company, provides responsive, customer-focused solutions by integrating design, fabrication, and installation to ensure faster and safer new construction and revamps with minimum down time. Koch-Glitsch products and services are available worldwide through its global network of manufacturing, warehousing, and engineering facilities.

IAPA is a not-for-profit, member driven organization operating in Ontario since 1917. Representing more than 50,000 member firms and in excess of 1.5 million Ontario workers, IAPA is Canada's leading workplace health and safety organization. The association is focused on providing industry-leading training, consulting, educational products, and informational services that meet members' needs and the needs of those in their communities. IAPA is also recognized as a World Health Organization Collaborating Centre in occupational health and an International Labour Organization – CIS Collaborating Centre. IAPA is also certified to ISO 9001:2000 for the design and delivery of training, has been awarded the National Quality Institute's Progressive Excellence Program Level III for Quality Certificate, and was a recipient of a Bronze Level Quality Award of the 2006 Canada Awards for Excellence. For more information on IAPA's products, programs, and services, call 1-800-406-IAPA (4272), or visit [www.iapa.ca](http://www.iapa.ca).

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