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## Koch Hydrocarbon Southwest Operation Earns Top OSHA Safety Designation Second gas liquids processing company to achieve Voluntary Protection Program Star status

*MONT BELVIEU, Texas* – Koch Hydrocarbon Southwest, LLC achieved the U.S. Occupational Health and Safety Administration's Voluntary Protection Program Star status for the company's outstanding operational record and safety program at a plant here.

OSHA officials honored the Koch Hydrocarbon Southwest team with the agency's most prestigious designation at a ceremony today. The site is only the second natural gas liquids fractionator to earn the OSHA honor.

"The Koch Hydrocarbon Southwest team has exhibited excellence in the areas of effective safety and health management as well as employee training and involvement," said John Miles, OSHA Region 6 administrator from Dallas. "This team is a model for what can happen when the entire company is committed to working together to create a safer workplace. I salute their efforts to join the list of other companies achieving VPP Star Status."

OSHA awarded the Star VPP certification to Koch Hydrocarbon Southwest, a subsidiary of Koch Holdings, LLC, after months of in-depth review of the plant it operates in Mont Belvieu. The agency evaluated the site's safety and health programs, operations performance and safety record.

"This national recognition is an honor and a testament to our employees' commitment to safety performance and practices," said Steve Tatum, vice president of Koch Holdings, LLC, which owns the interest in the facility. "This team is clearly focused on continuously improving systems and operations resulting in a safer workplace."

"Our goal at Koch Hydrocarbon Southwest is to provide a safe working environment for our employees," said Kurt Burmeister, company president. "Our ability to do so is due to our employees' continued focus and vigilance to operating safely. Our employees strive to consistently improve our operations in the environmental, health and safety arenas."

The Mont Belvieu facility's three-year OSHA recordable incident rate is zero, compared to the industry average of 1.8. The site's three-year OSHA lost-time incident rate is also zero, while the industry average is 0.6. OSHA recordable rates are standard industrial safety performance measures that represent health and safety incidents per 200,000 work-hours, a unit of measure chosen by the agency because it approximates the annual work of 100 employees. Lost-time incidents are those injuries or occupational illnesses that result in time away from work.

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