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**John Zink Company Employees Achieve Two Million Safe Work Hours
With No Serious Injuries**

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 14, 2005 – Employees at John Zink Company, LLC have worked more than 2 million hours and 400 consecutive days without an injury resulting in time away from work.

“Never before in John Zink’s history has this goal been achieved,” said Stephen Pirnat, president of John Zink Company. “We are proud of our employees and their dedication and vigilance to maintaining a safe work environment.”

Safety milestones are generally measured by the number of hours worked. This measurement allows companies of various sizes to benchmark progress. John Zink employs about 700 people at its Tulsa facility who work about 1.5 million hours annually.

“John Zink’s recordable injury rate is more than 90 percent better than the industry average, and the company’s lost time incident rate is 100 percent better than the industry average,” said Scott Taylor, vice president of operations at John Zink Company.

The achievement affirms John Zink’s long-term commitment to provide a culture of safety for its employees, Pirnat said.

“Working 2 million hours without a day away from work injury is part of the company’s continuous effort to achieve its environmental health and safety 10,000 percent goal of attaining 100 percent compliance, 100 percent of the time,” Pirnat said.

John Zink has earned the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration’s highest workplace safety designation: Voluntary Protection Program Star site. OSHA VPP recognizes facilities with industry-leading safety performance as verified by an extensive audit. In addition, the company received OHSAS 18001 accreditation for its health and safety management system from the international certification body, Lloyd’s Register Quality Assurance Ltd. The certification confirms that Zink’s management system meets the requirements of the internationally recognized health and safety standard.

John Zink Company, LLC is a leading provider of environmental solutions, advanced combustion systems and breakthrough technologies worldwide, servicing a wide range of global markets. John Zink branded products include JZ[®] flares, process burners, duct burners, thermal oxidizers and vapor control systems; KALDAIR[®] flares; TODD[®] boiler burners; and GORDON-PIATT[®] boiler burners. John Zink Company is a Koch Chemical Technology Group, LLC company. To learn more about John Zink, visit www.johnzink.com.