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Lakeville, Farmington, and Mendota Heights Firefighters Train at Flint Hills Resources

Rosemount, Minn. – Firefighters from Lakeville, Farmington, and Mendota Heights practiced fighting fires over the weekend at the fire training grounds of Flint Hills Resources Pine Bend Refinery. On Saturday, October 6, firefighters from the three cities conducted offensive and defensive firefighting tactics on mock fires. Specific drills practiced included fire extinguisher training, ethanol fire extinguishment, hose handling, teamwork exercises, and defensive cooling.

Flint Hills has provided regular fire training to area fire departments for more than 22 years. The training, which costs nothing for fire departments, is most often utilized by the refinery's mutual aid partners in surrounding cities such as Rosemount, Inver Grove Heights, Hastings, and Eagan.

“Providing use of our training grounds is one of the ways we try to be a good neighbor and a good corporate citizen,” said Pete Herpst, Deputy Fire Chief at Flint Hills Resources. “The realistic scenarios we provide allow firefighters to practice fighting a diverse range of fires so they are better prepared for real life situations.”

About Flint Hills Resources

Flint Hills Resources, LLC, through its subsidiaries, is a leading refining, chemicals and biofuels company. Its subsidiaries market products such as gasoline, diesel, jet fuel, ethanol, biodiesel, olefins, polymers and intermediate chemicals, as well as base oils and asphalt. The refining business operates refineries in Alaska (North Pole), Minnesota (Rosemount) and Texas (Corpus Christi), with a combined crude oil processing capacity of more than 800,000 barrels per day. The petrochemical business includes production facilities in Illinois, Michigan and Texas. The renewables business operates ethanol plants in Iowa, a biodiesel plant in Texas, and has made equity investments in bioenergy companies. The asphalt business produces and markets products in the Midwest and Alaska. A subsidiary owns an interest in a lubricants base oil facility in Louisiana.

Flint Hills Resources Pine Bend in Rosemount, Minn., has a crude oil processing capacity of about 325,000 barrels per day. Pine Bend employs about 900 people full-time; an additional 400-2,000 contractors work at the refinery daily on construction and maintenance projects. More information about the company is available at www.fhr.com.

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