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### **Flint Hills Resources Fire Chief Appointed to Minnesota Homeland Security Regional Review Committee**

ROSEMOUNT, Minn. – Flint Hills Resources’ Pine Bend refinery Fire Chief Rolf Peterson was recently appointed to the Department of Homeland Security’s Regional Review Committee. During his three-year term, he will help review emergency operations plans for counties and cities in the metro area.

Regional Review Committees were created in 1986 after the federal government passed legislation requiring the involvement of regulated facilities, emergency response organizations, and the public in the development and review of plans relating to hazardous materials incidents.

The committees enhance public safety by helping counties improve collaborative planning processes and information sharing, and maintaining state and federally approved plans for response to unexpected releases of hazardous materials at public and private facilities.

“As the Pine Bend refinery fire chief, Rolf has trained for emergencies with several jurisdictions and knows what makes a successful emergency plan. He will be a great asset to the committee,” said Scott Lindemann, vice president and manufacturing manager at Flint Hills Resources’ Pine Bend refinery.

Peterson is one of nine members of the Twin Cities metro area committee. The members bring diverse backgrounds to the committee as representatives of regulated facilities, emergency responders, and the public. Peterson represents emergency responders. There are six Regional Review Committees in Minnesota. As of 2009, the committees have reviewed the emergency operations plans of all 87 counties, 46 cities, and the University of Minnesota multiple times.

#### **About Flint Hills Resources**

Flint Hills Resources is a leading provider of transportation fuels used in the Upper Midwest. Based in Wichita, Kansas, Flint Hills Resources owns and operates refineries and chemical plants in Minnesota, Alaska, Illinois, Michigan and Texas, as well as four ethanol plants in Iowa. The company also owns a system of refined products and asphalt terminals that serve Texas and the Midwest. It markets products such as gasoline, diesel, jet fuel, ethanol, olefins, polymers and intermediate chemicals, base oils, and asphalt.

Flint Hills Resources Pine Bend refinery in Rosemount, Minn., has a crude oil processing capacity of about 320,000 barrels per day. Pine Bend employs about 900 people full-time; an

additional 200-2,000 union contractors work at the refinery daily on construction projects. More information about the company is available at [www.fhr.com](http://www.fhr.com).

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