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Flint Hills Resources Pine Bend Refinery Receives Governor's Safety Award

ROSEMOUNT, Minn. – Flint Hills Resources Pine Bend refinery announced today that Governor Mark Dayton awarded the refinery the Governor's Safety Award, which recognizes Minnesota employers for exceptional accomplishments in reducing workplaces illness and injuries. This is the fifth time the Pine Bend refinery has received the award.

Over the past 14 years, the Pine Bend refinery has decreased recordable injuries by more than 80%. It has been more than one year since the Pine Bend refinery had a recordable employee injury.

"Safety is of the utmost important to us. We strive to make Pine Bend a place where no one ever gets hurt," said Scott Lindemann, vice president of operations and plant manager at the Flint Hills Resources Pine Bend refinery. "Awards like these recognize our daily commitment to the safety of our employees."

The refinery also was recently recertified as a Minnesota STAR (MNSTAR) site through 2018. The voluntary program recognizes companies with strong safety and health management systems that exceed basic compliance with OSH standards and result in immediate and long-term prevention of job-related injuries and illnesses.

About Flint Hills Resources

Flint Hills Resources, LLC, through its subsidiaries, is a leading refining, biofuels and chemicals 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. Flint Hills Resources operates ethanol plants in Arthur, Fairbank, Iowa Falls, Menlo, and Shell Rock, Iowa; and Fairmont, Nebraska. The plants have a combined annual capacity of 650 million gallons of ethanol.

The refining business operates refineries in Alaska (North Pole), Minnesota (Rosemount), and Texas (Corpus Christi), with a combined crude oil processing capacity of nearly 670,000 barrels per day. The petrochemical business includes production facilities in Illinois, Michigan and Texas. 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. More information about the company is available at <u>www.fhr.com</u>.