

## Hexion Wins ACC Responsible Care® Awards in Two Categories, 13 Facilities Recognized

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COLUMBUS, Ohio - (May 4, 2020) - Two programs and 13 facilities at Hexion Inc. ("Hexion" or the "Company") were recently named Responsible Care® award winners and honored for excellence in waste minimization and energy efficiency by the American Chemistry Council (ACC).

"Hexion's longstanding commitment to sustainability and safety continues to drive results," said Stephanie Couhig, Senior Vice President, Environmental, Health and Safety, Hexion. "Being honored with these two awards and having our facilities recognized are reflective of Hexion's continued commitment to improving operations and enhancing our safety and sustainability efforts."

Couhig added: "We're also pleased to report that our Occupational Illness and Injuries Rate (OIIR) dropped to 0.51 in 2019, which was our lowest rate in 10 years and another example of our improved safety performance."

The ACC announced the Hexion awards at its virtual 2020 Responsible Care & Sustainability Conference & Expo:

## Waste Minimization Category

Springfield, Oregon: In 2019, Hexion's Springfield site was able to reduce wash water disposal (and freshwater usage) by 95 percent of disposal volumes the previous year. After analyzing water usage, the facility identified all sources of wash water, potential receptors for wash water and efficiencies to consume wash water. Once identified, designs and modifications were implemented to existing process equipment to store, blend and beneficially use wash water as a raw material to partially replace freshwater makeup.

## **Energy Efficiency Award**

Morganton, N.C.: Hexion's Morganton, N.C. facility upgraded its process unit for air pollution control (thermal oxidizer) in 2017, although the facility did not experience the expected increase in natural gas usage efficiency. As a result, a team was assembled to troubleshoot the issue with the objective of reducing natural gas consumption. The team used a combination of engineering fundamentals, statistical data analysis, mechanical knowledge, and supplier application support to reduce natural gas consumption and improved total site gas efficiency by 13.8 percent per million BTU/pound the previous year.

Facility Safety Award – ACC presents these awards to member companies with significant achievements in employee health and safety performance. In total, 13 of the Company's sites received the 'Excellent' distinction:

 Acme NC, Alexandria LA, Argo IL, Deer Park TX, Diboll TX, Fayetteville NC, Geismar TX, Hope AR, La Grande OR, Louisville KY, Missoula MO, Moreau NY, Springfield OR.

Responsible Care helps ACC member and partner companies significantly enhance and improve the health and safety performance of their employees and the communities in which they operate. Facilities within Hexion's global manufacturing network have achieved additional certifications, including ISO 9001 (Quality Management System), ISO 14001 (Environmental Management System), and OHSAS 18001 (Health and Safety Management System).

## About the Company

Based in Columbus, Ohio, Hexion Inc. is a global leader in thermoset resins. Hexion Inc. serves the global adhesive, coatings, composites and industrial markets through a broad range of thermoset technologies, specialty products and technical support for customers in a diverse range of applications and industries. Additional information about Hexion Inc. and its products is available at www.hexion.com.

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