Clean Harbors Kimball Facility Achieves VPP Star Status

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Moves up from Merit certification

KIMBALL, Neb. – Sept. 1, 2009 – Clean Harbors, the leading provider of environmental, energy and industrial, and hazardous waste management services throughout North America, has received the "Star" designation from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) for its Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facility (TSDF) here. This is a move up from the "Merit" designation earned in 2008.

VPP is a comprehensive health and safety process that requires employee involvement, management support, and cooperation with OSHA. Recipients demonstrate a strong management and employee safety culture that ensures a safe and healthful workplace environment, with occupational injury and illness incidence rates below the state and national averages for companies within the same industry classification.

The Clean Harbors Kimball operation is a storage and treatment facility for a variety of industrial waste utilizing a state-of-the-art thermal oxidation unit (incinerator) for maximum destruction efficiencies of hazardous waste. Environmental and occupational safety are of the highest priority throughout its operations.

Commented Jared Hunsaker, Clean Harbors Kimball General Manager, "VPP Star is another great accomplishment but we are most proud of the safety culture that VPP endorses. Thanks to our employees' efforts we work at one of the safest TSDFs in the country. Our safety practices protect employees and the community while assuring our customers that their waste is being handled in accordance with the highest OSHA standards."

About Clean Harbors

<u>Clean Harbors</u> is North America's leading provider of environmental, energy and industrial services serving over 50,000 customers, including a majority of Fortune 500 companies, thousands of smaller private entities and numerous federal, state, provincial and local governmental agencies.

Within Clean Harbors Environmental Services, the company offers Technical Services and Field Services. Technical Services provide a broad range of hazardous material management and disposal services including the collection, packaging, recycling, treatment and disposal of hazardous and non-hazardous waste. Field Services provide a wide variety of environmental cleanup services on customer sites or other locations on a scheduled or emergency response basis.

Within Clean Harbors Energy and Industrial Services, the company offers Industrial Services and Exploration Services. Industrial Services provide industrial and specialty services, such as high-pressure and chemical cleaning, catalyst handling, decoking, material processing and industrial lodging services to refineries, chemical plants, pulp and paper mills, and other industrial facilities. Exploration Services provide exploration and directional boring services to the energy sector serving oil and gas exploration, production, and power generation.

Headquartered in Norwell, Massachusetts, Clean Harbors has more than 175 locations, including over 50 waste management facilities, throughout North America in 37 U.S. states, seven Canadian provinces, Mexico and Puerto Rico. The Company also operates international locations in Bulgaria, China, Sweden, Singapore, Thailand and the United Kingdom. For more information, visit <u>www.cleanharbors.com</u>.

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