## Clean Harbors Kimball Employees Recognized for OSHA VPP Merit Status - Becomes Fourth Clean Harbors Facility to Receive VPP Certification

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**KIMBALL, Neb. – June 19, 2008** – Clean Harbors Environmental Services, Inc. (Clean Harbors), the leading provider of environmental and hazardous waste management services throughout North America, has received the "Merit" designation from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) for its Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facility here.

OSHA Area Director Ben Bare recently recognized the 120 Clean Harbors employees at the facility and noted the work performed by the VPP employee certification committee.

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.



OSHA Area Director Ben Bare with Clean Harbors Kimball VPP committee members. (Front row, L to R) Dustin Bowron, Kelly Dunegan, Allen Hansen, Todd Baliman, Huie Hazelett and Jared Muneio. (Back row) John Kinney, Chris Rowley, Jean Klassen, Andrea Brummond-Bemis, Jowain Sherman, Ken Rageth, Darrell Snyder, Matt McGowan (hidden), Billy Olsen and Mike Anderson.

being handled according to the highest OSHA standards."

## **Employees Drive Process**

At Kimball, an all-volunteer employee committee worked for almost three years to analyze the facility's safety profile, develop a Gap analysis and implement procedures. Managers acted as adjunct members who facilitated changes and supported the employee committee's activities.

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.

"OSHA VPP recognition is a major accomplishment," commented Jared Hunsaker, Clean Harbors Kimball general manager. "The employees led the way. They recommended and implemented improvements to make our facility a leader in the industry. We are now working at one of the safest Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facilities in the United States and our customers can be assured that their waste is

## About Clean Harbors Environmental Services, Inc.

Clean Harbors Environmental Services, Inc. is North America's leading provider of environmental and hazardous waste management services. With an unmatched infrastructure of 51 waste management facilities, including nine landfills, six incineration locations, six wastewater treatment centers and two solvent recovery facilities, the Company provides essential services to over 45,000 customers, including more than 325 Fortune 500 companies, thousands of smaller private entities and numerous federal, state and local governmental agencies. Headquartered in Norwell, Massachusetts, Clean Harbors has more than 100 locations strategically positioned throughout North America in 36 U.S. states, six Canadian provinces, Mexico and Puerto Rico. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.cleanharbors.com">www.cleanharbors.com</a>.

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