

Koppers Locations Earn National Safety Council's Top Awards

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Five plants honored with prestigious 2006 Industry Leader Award

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 13 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Five Koppers (NYSE: KOP) plants earned the exclusive NSC 2006 Industry Leader Award for achieving the best safety performance (lowest total incidence rating) based on lost workday case rates in their specific North American Industry Classification System category.

Koppers plants that earned this award are located in North Little Rock, Arkansas; Denver, Colorado; Gainesville, Florida; Superior, Wisconsin; and Woodward, Alabama.

Thirteen Koppers U.S. locations have also been honored by the National Safety Council (NSC) with its 2006 Occupational Excellence Achievement Award.

In earning the Occupational Excellence Award, these 13 Koppers plants reported no fatalities, and injuries and illnesses involving days away from work at a rate in 2006 that was 50 percent or less of the rate for their specific industry classifications, based on the North American Industry Classification System.

Koppers plants that received the award are located in Clairton, Pennsylvania; Florence, South Carolina; Follansbee, West Virginia; Gainesville, Florida; Galesburg, Illinois; Grenada, Mississippi; Guthrie, Kentucky; Monessen, Pennsylvania; North Little Rock, Arkansas; Portland, Oregon; Roanoke, Virginia; Somerville, Texas and Muncy, Pennsylvania.

"Protecting the health and safety of our employees lies at the heart of our corporate culture," said Leslie S. Hyde, Vice President, Safety and Environmental Affairs. "We not only comply with established standards and requirements, but work tirelessly to enhance our safety programs to protect not only our employees, but our families, friends and neighbors who live beyond our plant boundaries. The success of these programs is reflected in the awards we are announcing today."

Founded in 1913, NSC is a nonprofit, nongovernmental, international public service organization dedicated to protecting life and promoting health.

About Koppers

Koppers, with corporate headquarters and a research center in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is a global integrated producer of carbon compounds and treated wood products. Including its joint ventures, Koppers operates facilities in the United States, United Kingdom, Denmark, Australia, China, the Pacific Rim and South Africa. The stock of Koppers Holdings Inc. is publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "KOP." For more information, visit us on the Web: www.koppers.com. Questions concerning investor relations should be directed to Brian H. McCurrie at 412 227 2153 or Michael W. Snyder at 412 227 2131.

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