

Flint Hills Resources, and its predecessor companies, have been in Corpus Christi since 1981. The Corpus Christi complex has a crude oil processing capacity of about 300,000 barrels per day. Once refined, products including jet fuel, low-sulfur gasoline and diesel flow north through the company's proprietary pipeline system. This system includes two main lines that transport fuel to the company's terminals in San Antonio, Bastrop, Austin, Waco and the Fort Worth area, including the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport.

The company's chemicals business includes production facilities in Illinois, Michigan and Texas. The plants produce aromatics, olefins, polymers and intermediates chemicals. Flint Hills Resources' primary aromatics chemicals production facility is located within the Corpus Christi refinery. Flint Hills Resources' interests in Longview include ownership of a polymers production unit within a local chemical facility. About 70 employees support the quality control of the products coming from the polymers unit and market the production from that facility. In Port Arthur, the company produces ethylene and propylene, which are sold into the merchant market. That site employs about 185.

Background

Flint Hills Resources, LLC, through its subsidiaries, is a leading refining and chemicals company. It markets products such as gasoline, diesel, jet fuel, ethanol, olefins, polymers and intermediate chemicals as well as base oils and asphalt. The company, based in Wichita, Kan., has expanded its operations through capital projects and acquisitions worth more than \$6.2 billion since 2002. With more than 3,700 employees, including nearly 1,350 in Texas, Flint Hills Resources strives to create value for customers and society.

Flint Hills Resources refineries in Alaska, Minnesota and Texas produce a wide range of fuels that are transported through proprietary and common carrier pipeline systems, stored in strategically located terminals, and marketed to wholesalers and retailers throughout the United States. Ethanol plants in Iowa have a combined annual capacity of 435 million gallons of ethanol. The company's chemical business includes production facilities in Illinois, Michigan and Texas. These plants produce aromatics, olefins, polymers and intermediate chemicals. The company also owns an interest in a base lube oil facility in Louisiana, has made equity investments in bioenergy companies, and operates a biodiesel plant near Fort Worth, Texas.

Safety and Environmental Commitment

Flint Hills Resources is committed to operating in a manner that protects the health and safety of its employees, the public and the environment. The company strives for 100 percent compliance while meeting the expectations of the communities in which it operates. Since 1981, the company has spent about \$3.1 billion on extensive refinery modifications, some of which have resulted in improved environmental performance and low-sulfur fuels production.

Achievements include:

- In 2010, employees reached safety milestones: 10 years without a lost-time injury at Corpus Christi, Texas; and more than 2.5 years with no lost-time incidents at Longview, Texas.
- The company has eight Texas sites that have earned STAR status in OSHA's Voluntary Protection Programs. The company's four fuel terminals in Texas were the first in their industry to achieve this designation.
- The company's success at reducing flaring earned the company a Clean Air Award from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in 2004, and continues its efforts to reduce emissions at its plants,

especially during periods of startup, shutdown and malfunction. The company completed a four-year collaborative effort with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to develop and share best practices aimed at reducing emissions during these periods. Since 1999, flare time at the Corpus Christi West Plant has been reduced 97.6 percent (based on latest comparison data available¹).

- Since 1997, the Corpus Christi refinery operations have reduced emissions of commonly regulated substances by 62 percent¹, on a per-barrel of refining capacity basis. In 2009, the company's overall refinery operations criteria air emissions per barrel were 67 percent lower than the industry average of the 50 largest refineries in the United States (based on latest comparison data available¹).
- The Pollution Prevention Partnership, and the Corpus Christi Air Quality Group and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality have recognized Flint Hills Resources for its efforts to reduce emissions and ozone production.

Community Commitment

Flint Hills Resources is committed to understanding the needs of the community, and participates in projects and activities that add value to our neighbors and improve the quality of life. Flint Hills Resources primarily focuses its philanthropy in education, environment and human services areas.

Not only does the company provide support, but also many of its employees give individual time and donations to several groups. Here are a few examples:

- Wildlife Habitat Council (habitat certification and Corporate Lands for Learning™ designation at Corpus Christi site)
- Association for Careers and Technology Education (recipient of the Award of Merit)
- Nueces County land donation for Coastal Bend State Veterans Cemetery
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Texas (Corpus Christi recipient of Chairman's Pinnacle Award)
- Mano-A-Mano Empowerment Scholarship Fund (with Corpus Christi Hispanic Chamber of Commerce)
- Texas State Aquarium (Corpus Christi)
- Driscoll Children's Hospital (Corpus Christi)
- Stone Creek Park (Fort Worth)
- United Way (Nueces County and Longview)
- Junior Achievement (Corpus Christi)

Communicating With Neighbors

Flint Hills Resources believes open communication with neighbors is paramount. As a result, the company actively sponsors and participates in community advisory groups that identify, clarify and prioritize important issues, and make recommendations that help the company address community concerns and interests.

In communities within Texas, Flint Hills Resources is involved in a number of company-specific and community-wide groups that share information. In Corpus Christi the company works with a number of community advisory organizations. In San Antonio, a new committee has been formed to facilitate discussions between the company and community leaders. In Port Arthur, and Longview, company representatives participate in industry advisory panels.

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¹ Emissions data calculated using publically available data from state or federal environmental departments.