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SABIC of Columbus Receives VPP "Star" Recertification

INDIANAPOLIS (November 5, 2015) – SABIC in Columbus, Indiana, has received recertification for five years in the Indiana Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) as a "Star" worksite. Management and team leaders at SABIC have demonstrated exceptional commitment to communication and training in safety standards.

"VPP certification is not an easy achievement. Our VPP 'Stars' have shown real effort and dedication in keeping their workers healthy and protected from hazards," said Indiana Department of Labor (IDOL) Commissioner Rick J. Ruble. "We congratulate SABIC, and we're very pleased to continue working with management for worker safety and health excellence."

SABIC's Columbus location manufactures engineered thermoplastic material solutions in the form of plastic pellets. The facility operates seven days a week with 88 employees. Management and employees at SABIC have demonstrated commitment to safety with extensive training and ongoing learning for wellness, injury prevention, and emergency preparedness and response. The facility maintains a diverse communication system to encourage and utilize employee participation. Since 2011, SABIC has had one or less recordable workplace injuries per year.

About the Indiana Department of Labor:

The mission of the Indiana Department of Labor is to advance the safety, health and prosperity of Hoosiers in the workplace. In order to make significant strides, we emphasize both enforcement and voluntary compliance by employers. Follow the Indiana Department of Labor on Twitter: <u>@INDeptofLabor</u> and Like on Facebook: <u>facebook.com/IndianaDeptartmentofLabor</u>.

About VPP:

The Voluntary Protection Program provides recognition to Hoosier employers that operate exemplary safety and health management systems. Certification in VPP is an achievement of status that will single employers out among their business peers as a model worksite for Hoosier workplace safety and health.

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