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Indiana Department of Labor Honors Michigan City Plant with Safety Award

INDIANAPOLIS (August 11, 2010) - The Indiana Department of Labor is pleased to announce the certification of USALCO Michigan City Plant, LLC in the Indiana Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (INSHARP). USALCO Michigan City Plant, LLC is the first company in Michigan City to achieve INSHARP certification.

USALCO Michigan City Plant, LLC serves the water and wastewater treatment industries by manufacturing sodium aluminate and aluminum sulfate for both the industrial and municipal markets. The facility has 10 employees on-site along with transportation crew members.

USALCO Michigan City Plant, LLC credits a decline in work-related injuries and illnesses to an all-inclusive health and safety focus that includes management and employees. A joint safety committee, which includes all the facility's personnel, meets monthly. Incidents and near-miss incidents are used for training purposes and maintenance scheduling to prevent future injury. Employees actively participate in occupational safety and health training as well.

The site's three-year OSHA Total Recordable Case (TRC) rate is below the national industry average for their respective industry. Routine facility audits are conducted and all incidents are investigated to determine root cause

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 compliance assistance by employers. www.in.gov/dol.

About INSHARP:

INSHARP, a federally recognized program, is one of two of Indiana's exemplary safety and health recognition programs. INSHARP was established to recognize and promote exemplary safety and health management systems throughout the state. INSHARP status can be achieved when management and employees work together to create and maintain a safe and healthy work environment.

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