EXXONMOBIL CHEMICAL, FMC CORP. RECOGNIZED FOR LEADERSHIP IN ENVIRONMENTAL, HEALTH & SAFETY PERFORMANCE

Companies Receive Responsible Care® Company of the Year Award at ACC Annual Meeting

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (June 4, 2019) – Today, the American Chemistry Council (ACC) presented its Responsible Care® Company of the Year award to ExxonMobil Chemical Company and FMC Corporation, recognizing each for excellence and leadership in environmental, health, safety and security (EHS&S) performance.

“Responsible Care is more than a commitment to safety – for the past 30 years, it has been the backbone of the chemical industry’s sustainability commitment, helping us to operate with health, safety, security and environmental protection as a top priority,” said ACC President and CEO Cal Dooley. “We are pleased to recognize ExxonMobil Chemical and FMC Corporation for their unwavering leadership and exemplary commitment to the tenets of Responsible Care with ACC’s highest honor, the Responsible Care Company of the Year award.”

To be eligible for the Company of the Year award, ACC members must demonstrate they have met and surpassed Responsible Care performance criteria, including: achieving a safety performance rating in the top 10 percent of companies in their size category, with no significant process events in the previous year; positive performance measures in the areas of transportation safety, process safety and emissions reduction; and demonstrated improvements in EHS&S performance, product stewardship, distribution safety and emergency preparedness.

ExxonMobil Chemical Company is one of the original signatories to Responsible Care and implements the initiative through its Operations Integrity Management System (OIMS), a cornerstone of the company’s commitment to managing risk and achieving excellence in EHS&S performance.

Recognizing the need to continually do better, the company works with internal and external groups to evaluate process safety performance and high-risk scenarios, learn from near-misses and identify improvement opportunities. Since the inception of OIMS, ExxonMobil Chemicals’ EHS&S performance has improved substantially – industry-leading lost-time incident rates have been significantly reduced, along with risks to the environment, with a notable decline in marine spills and continuing reductions in emissions.
“There is no doubt that Responsible Care is the global chemical industry’s premier program for recognizing and sustaining operational excellence,” said Karen McKee, President of ExxonMobil Chemical Company. “When I look at the progress that we’ve made throughout the years as a result of Responsible Care and OIMS, it’s remarkable.”

**FMC Corporation**’s TH!NK. SAFE. program is the core of the company’s safety commitment. It aims to create a safety mindset and foster a dynamic safety culture through interactive programs that engage employees at all levels of the organization. The results are noteworthy: in 2018, FMC achieved an overall global recordable injury rate of 0.11 – a 38 percent year-over-year reduction and a new record low.

In 2015, FMC announced several sustainability goals aimed at reducing its environmental impact and improving performance, and is already meeting goals to reduce energy intensity, waste and water use.

Furthermore, FMC’s Product Stewardship and Sustainability Assessment (PSSA) Tool, also recognized this year with one of ACC’s inaugural Sustainability Leadership Awards, helps company researchers to determine the sustainability of active ingredients and products and addresses six major global challenges directly related to ACC’s Sustainability Principles.

“FMC employees are committed to safety,” said Pierre Brondeau, FMC’s Chairman. “They believe a zero-injury workplace is highly achievable and are committed to working together to improve our environmental, health and safety performance and ensure that our products are manufactured, transported and used safely every day.”

Since 1988, Responsible Care companies have reduced hazardous releases to the air, land and water by 84 percent, improved energy efficiency overall, and have an employee safety record five times better than the U.S. manufacturing sector as a whole, and almost three times better than the business of chemistry overall.

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