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32nd JCIA/JRCC Safety Award Winners Selected

Japan Chemical Industry Association
Japan Responsible Care Council

The Japan Chemical Industry Association (JCIA) and the Japan Responsible Care Council (JRCC) recently announced the winners of their 32nd JCIA/JRCC “Safety” and “Safety Effort” Awards for chemical facilities with superior performance in promoting voluntary conservation, safety and health.

The award-winning facilities were selected by JCIA’s Safety Awards Council from among 12 nominated facilities, including one research center. The winners are:

JCIA/JRCC Safety Award (one company)

Tonen Chemical Corporation, Kawasaki Works

Address: 7-1 Ukishimacho, Kawasaki-ku, Kawasaki City

Operation started in: 1962

Major business line: Manufacturing of ethylene, propylene, butadiene, methyl ethyl ketone, and others.

Amount of dangerous substances handled: 179,857 times the designated amount.

Amount of high-pressure gas handled: 288,639,425 Nm³/day

Employee force: 383

Safety record: Labor hours without recorded accident – 10,140,000 hours

Years without recorded accident – 12 years

Major awards: JCIA/JRCC Safety Effort Award (2005), Award for Superior High-pressure Gas Manufacturing Plant by Kanagawa Prefecture.

Reasons for selection: Tonen Chemical Corporation, an affiliate of ExxonMobil, is promoting safety by utilizing ExxonMobil’s unique Occupational Safety, Health, and Environment Management System (OIMS). During the past three years, safety improvements have been made throughout the company. Results have

been achieved steadily in various safety activities, including improved safety awareness by Tonen's employees and the completeness of work site signage.

JCIA/JRCC Safety Effort Award (three companies)

Showa Denko K.K., Shiojiri Plant (Shiojiri City, Nagano Pref.)

Tokyo Liquefied Oxygen Co., Ltd., Isogo Plant (Yokohama City, Kanagawa Pref.)

Japan Elastomer Co., Ltd., Oita Plant (Oita City, Oita Pref.)

The awards ceremony will be held at JCIA's 17th Annual Conference on May 30.

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