

Clean Harbors Reidsville Facility Receives Carolina Star and OSHA VPP Star Designations

July 29, 2008 11:34 AM ET

Norwell, MA – July 29, 2008 – Clean Harbors Environmental Services, Inc. (Clean Harbors), the leading provider of environmental and hazardous waste management services throughout North America, today announced that its Reidsville, North Carolina facility has received the Carolina Star Award designation from the North Carolina Department of Labor (NCDOL). The Award also qualifies the Clean Harbors treatment, storage, and disposal facility for Star status in the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA) Voluntary Protection Program (VPP).

The Carolina Star program recognizes worksites that are self-sufficient in their ability to control hazards. The Clean Harbors facility, which moves up from the NCDOL Rising Star and OSHA Merit categories, joins an elite group of 160 North Carolina companies that have qualified for Star status since the program's inception.

In order to qualify, companies must maintain a three-year average for both the total recordable case rates and cases with days away from work, job transfer, or restriction rates that are at or below 50 percent of the most recently published Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics rate for their peers in the North American Industrial Classification System.

The Federal VPP is a comprehensive health and safety process that requires employee involvement, management support, and cooperation with OSHA. Recipients demonstrate a strong management and employee safety culture that ensures a safe and healthful workplace environment, with occupational injury and illness incidence rates below the state and national averages for companies within the same industry classification.

Commenting on the award, Phillip G. Retallick, Clean Harbors Senior Vice President, Compliance & Regulatory Affairs, said, "Clean Harbors focuses on health and safety throughout our operations so Reidsville joins a growing list of Clean Harbors VPP locations across the country. Yet, earning the Carolina Star Award and VPP at Reidsville is a great accomplishment in its own right because it honors our employees, recognizes our health and safety record and highlights our participation in North Carolina's business community."

About Clean Harbors Environmental Services

[Clean Harbors](#) is North America's leading provider of environmental and hazardous waste management services. With an unmatched infrastructure of waste management facilities, Clean Harbors serves over 47,000 customers, including more than 325 Fortune 500 companies, thousands of smaller private entities and numerous federal, state and local governmental agencies. Clean Harbors' Technical Services provides a broad range of hazardous material management and disposal services including hazardous and non-hazardous waste [recycling](#), [treatment and disposal](#), [CleanPack® laboratory chemical packing](#), and [household hazardous waste](#) management services. Clean Harbors' Site Services provides [field services](#), [industrial services](#), [vacuum services](#), [emergency response](#) and [disaster recovery](#), [transformer services](#), [tank cleaning](#) and [decontamination](#).

Headquartered in Norwell, Massachusetts, Clean Harbors has more than 100 locations strategically positioned throughout North America in 36 U.S. states, six Canadian provinces, Mexico and Puerto Rico. For more information, visit www.cleanharbors.com.

###

Contacts:

David N. Proud
Vice President, Marketing
Clean Harbors Environmental Services, Inc.
781.792.5490
proudd@cleanharbors.com