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Frankfort's Cintas Earns Award for Workplace Safety and Health

INDIANAPOLIS (Oct. 3, 2011) – With its workplace health and safety incidents more than 20 percent below the national average, Cintas' Frankfort, Indiana site demonstrates what it takes to develop and maintain an effective workplace safety and health management system.

Recently, the Indiana Department of Labor recognized Cintas as an Indiana Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) Star work site. Cintas celebrated with an employee luncheon on Wednesday, Sept. 28, 2011.

In addition, the facility's worker injury and illness rates must be below the national average for its industry. Fewer than 60 Hoosier workplaces have achieved certification in VPP. To participate in VPP, a company must develop, implement and maintain an effective worker safety and health management system.

"Cintas has reduced occupational injuries by approximately 80 percent over the past three years," said Indiana Department of Labor Commissioner Lori Torres. "This is a considerable achievement, underscoring the impact that focused dedication to worker safety and health displayed by all stakeholders can have."

Employing more than 100 workers in Frankfort, Cintas processes industrial laundering of rental uniforms, garments and bulk products for its customers. The rented uniforms and other products are delivered to Cintas' customers using fleet vehicles and company drivers.

"Businesses throughout America know the VPP Star Award is sterling recognition and they know it is only given to those organizations that have met very rigorous safety requirements and proven that elimination of injuries is a culture value woven into their corporate DNA," said Dan Braun, Senior Vice President of Value Improvement Initiatives at Cintas. "I'm proud of our partners in Frankfort and proud of how this further establishes Cintas as the only industrial launderer in the country to receive this prestigious recognition."

The Frankfort location is the first Cintas site in Indiana to achieve VPP Star certification and only the second Cintas site in the country. More than 100 other Cintas facilities nationwide are actively pursuing VPP.



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