

## **Sadara Plays Active Role in GPCA Responsible Care® Conference in Jubail**

**JUBAIL, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, October 15, 2019** – Sadara Chemical Company (Sadara), soon after demonstrating its commitment to sustainability by receiving official certification as a Responsible Care® Company, began its active participation in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Gulf Petrochemicals and Chemicals Association (GPCA) Responsible Care Conference in Jubail.

Sadara is Platinum Sponsor of the conference, which was held from October 14-16 at Jubail's King Abdullah Cultural Center under the patronage of HRH Prince Saud bin Nayef bin Abdulaziz Al-Saud, Governor of the Kingdom's Eastern Province.

Some 25 leaders and professionals from Sadara's Environment, Health, Safety and Security (EHS&S) organization took part in the conference. Jamal AlGhamdi, EH&S Compliance Senior Manager, delivered a presentation on "Process Safety Initiatives and Success Stories" during the conference, highlighting Sadara's proactive role in the industry.

Sadara's Chief Executive Officer Dr. Faisal Al-Faqeer commented on the participation, saying: "Our company's support for sustainable operations dates back to Sadara's earliest design stages, and this focus on sustainability was a primary factor in Sadara becoming the first Saudi Aramco joint venture to achieve Responsible Care certification.

Sadara also hosted a group from GPCA's Leaders of Tomorrow initiative, who were attending the Responsible Care Conference, for a tour of its 26-plant world-scale chemical complex and a visit to Sadara's Interactive Environmental Exhibit at the Knowledge & Creativity Center in Jubail.

On October 9, Dr. Al-Faqeer and members of Sadara's Management Committee received the official certificates confirming both RC14001:2015 and ISO 14001:2015 certification, following Sadara's successful completion of the five-day Responsible Care external audit on September 5.

The external audit confirmed that Sadara successfully met or exceeded international standards in all seven major categories: Community Awareness & Emergency Response, Distribution, Product Stewardship, Security, Health & Safety, Process Safety and Environmental Protection.

This year's GPCA Responsible Care Conference marks the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary since the Responsible Care initiative was adopted by chemical companies in the Arabian Gulf region. Sadara is a signatory and active member of GPCA's Responsible Care Committee.

Responsible Care is a voluntary initiative to improve its safety, health and environmental performance, and enhance security within the petrochemical and chemical sector. It was launched in Canada in 1984 and currently operating in more than 68 countries around the world. The initiative was adopted by the Gulf Petrochemicals and Chemicals Association in December

2009 in line with its commitment to continually improve sustainability in the Gulf sector. Responsible Care is mandatory for GPCA members and serves as an operating license.

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**About Sadara:**

*Sadara is a joint venture developed by the Saudi Arabian Oil Company (Saudi Aramco) and The Dow Chemical Company. Sadara is a multi-billion-dollar world-scale chemical complex in Jubail Industrial City II in Saudi Arabia's Eastern Province. Comprised of 26 world-scale manufacturing units, the Sadara chemical complex is the world's largest to be built in a single phase and is the only chemical company in the Middle East to use refinery liquids, such as naphtha, as feedstock. By using best-in-class technologies to crack refinery liquid feedstock, Sadara will enable many industries that either currently do not exist in Saudi Arabia or only exist through imports of raw materials. The adjacent PlasChem Park, a unique collaboration between Sadara and the Royal Commission for Jubail and Yanbu', will create more value downstream, generating unprecedented investment, innovation, economic growth and thousands of jobs.*

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