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The company has advanced our safety ratings into the top 10%.

Celanese has nearly achieved its 2010 waste reduction goal of 25%.

AOPlus™ represents a 40% reduction in GHG emissions.

Internal sustainability goals include reducing global VOC emissions by 30% in 2010.
Forward-Looking Statements
This release may contain "forward-looking statements," which include information concerning the company’s plans, objectives, goals, strategies, future revenues or performance, capital expenditures, financing needs and other information that is not historical information. When used in this release, the words "outlook," "forecast," "estimates," "expects," "anticipates," "projects," "plans," "intends," "believes," and variations of such words or similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements are based upon current expectations and beliefs and various assumptions. There can be no assurance that the company will realize these expectations or that these beliefs will prove correct. There are a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements contained in this release. Numerous factors, many of which are beyond the company’s control, could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed as forward-looking statements. Certain of these risk factors are discussed in the company’s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Any forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date on which it is made, and the company undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which it is made or to reflect the occurrence of anticipated or unanticipated events or circumstances.
Celanese continues to make good progress toward our goal of becoming the premier chemical company. Throughout the past decade, we’ve focused our portfolio around a core group of businesses, invested to maintain a leadership position in those businesses, and expanded our operations globally. We continue to build our company around excellence and the implementation of best-in-class procedures.

The path to premier also brings great responsibility. In this 2008 report, we are pleased to detail our approach to corporate responsibility and citizenship, and describe how our commitment to sustainability is carried out in our day-to-day activities. At Celanese, this commitment goes beyond compliance with regulations.

A major milestone for Celanese in 2007 was opening our integrated chemical complex in Nanjing, China. This new facility embodies the company’s world-class process safety methods and leading technologies. Nanjing has been a blueprint for optimized, environmentally conscientious processes that have been transitioned to other facilities worldwide. These processes further contribute to our customers’ end-products, many of which are used to solve global sustainability challenges.

In this report, we also share our progress against our 2010 goals, which we are on track to meet or exceed.

Additionally, this report provides a window into the Celanese culture of excellence. Our accomplishments reflect our philosophy of never being satisfied. We continually share best practices internally, benchmark ourselves against the best of our peers, set high standards for performance, and reward our people for achievements that surpass expectations.

Celanese puts safety first in everything we do, and we’re committed to fulfilling our role as a responsible corporate citizen - we believe it is a precondition for everything we do and a foundation for our success.

David N. Weidman
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
Celanese Approach to Sustainability

Celanese's commitment to responsible corporate citizenship goes beyond regulatory compliance. It is embedded in our culture, our values, and is integral to all aspects of our company. We believe it is an economic, environmental and social prerequisite for continued commercial success.

The processes we follow, the facilities we manage, the products we produce, the safety we demand, the technology we innovate, and the resources we use are all carefully considered ingredients in daily approach-to-work formulas that drive us to increasing operational excellence. The targeted outcome is environmental performance at or beyond regulatory compliance in every venue where we do business. In 2007, we continued to gain momentum in all of these areas.

While sustainability is the core focus of this report, the driving philosophy behind Celanese’s business decisions goes much deeper than the projects and success described here. Our philosophy is embodied in our most significant business venture to date, the Celanese Nanjing Integrated Chemical Complex in Nanjing, China. The complex, which began commercial operation in the summer of 2007, is a vivid demonstration of the best process and operations principles available in the chemical industry today. Our investments in Nanjing and targeted strategies at other key sites have Celanese on track to meet or exceed our 2010 sustainability goals.

Sustainability Update

2010 Sustainability Goals

- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions, primarily carbon dioxide and methane, by 30 percent;
- Reduce air emissions by 30 percent;
- Reduce waste volume by 25 percent;
- Reduce energy intensity by 20 percent.

This report highlights progress toward these 2010 goals. However, just as the culture of Celanese encourages our employees to never be satisfied with the status quo, these
Reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 30%
Reduce energy intensity by 20%
Reduce air emissions by 30%
Reduce waste volume by 25%

2010 reductions do not represent our final goals. Celanese employees continue to work together to achieve the highest possible results, and to contribute to long-term performance that earns Celanese recognition as we strive to become the premier chemical company.

Financial Integrity & Global Business Conduct

A key pillar of the Celanese approach is integrity and transparency in financial reporting. All internal controls undergo a thorough and rigorous review to ensure that financial information accurately and fairly presents Celanese’s financial condition.

The Celanese Global Business Conduct Policy applies to all directors, officers and employees, and prescribes expectations on a wide range of topics relevant to our business conduct including conflicts of interest, insider trading and antitrust. Additionally, the company’s chief executive officer, chief financial officer, and controller are held to an additional level of expectation as defined in a Financial Code of Ethics. This code holds these officers responsible for full, fair, accurate, timely and understandable disclosure in the company’s periodic reports to the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The Global Business Conduct policy of Celanese also commits that we design and operate our facilities throughout the world to provide our employees with safe workplaces. Everyone at Celanese must adhere to the Global Business Conduct policy, no matter where we do business.

Communities

Celanese proactively safeguards ourselves, others and the environments in which we do business. The company actively engages to avoid and eliminate any adverse impact on human health and the environment. Celanese is committed to sustainable business for our customers, shareowners, employees, neighbors and business partners.

Management Systems

Celanese follows a global Environmental Health and Safety management system that supports standardization of global best practices. Regardless of location or differences in local regulations, Celanese implements the highest possible operating and safety standards in new or upgraded facilities.

The Celanese management system is based on ISO standards and has been third-party certified in facilities and countries worldwide.

Celanese is a leader in Responsible Care, the global chemistry industry performance initiative of the American Chemistry Council. Responsible Care is instrumental in helping chemical companies implement and maintain world-class management systems designed to improve performance, safety and environmental metrics. For more information on Celanese and Responsible Care, please see the “Advocacy” section of this report.
The 2007 Celanese Values Awards finalists from around the globe gathered in Dallas, Texas, in January to be recognized for their successes in bringing the Celanese Values to life. The Celanese Values Awards honor employees who embody the company’s values of: Safety, Integrity & Responsibility; Productivity, Performance and Results; Employee, Opportunity and Development; and Customer Focused Growth and Innovation.

The Values of Celanese

In pursuit of becoming the premier chemical company, Celanese is guided by four core values:

Safety, Integrity & Responsibility

Commitment to the highest standards of safety, personal conduct and business integrity around the world

At Celanese, we …

- Make safety a precondition for everything we do
- Communicate openly and honestly, being truthful and ethical in every situation
- Proactively safeguard ourselves, others and the environments in which we do business
- Demand the highest standards of business and personal conduct

Employee Opportunity and Development

Commitment to providing employees with challenging and rewarding work opportunities and to developing skills needed to excel in a global environment

At Celanese, we …

- Attract, develop and retain employees who achieve results while living the core values
- Continuously learn, accept challenges and achieve personal potential
- Value differences while treating each other fairly and with respect
- Know what is expected, lead by example and make a positive impact
Customer-Focused Growth and Innovation
Commitment to growing globally and profitably through innovative solutions that anticipate customers' needs and deliver value

At Celanese, we ...
- Invest in businesses and regions that profitably support our customers and create growth opportunities
- Think globally and strive to meet or exceed customer expectations
- Always seek new and better ways to create value for customers and the company
- Pursue customers, suppliers and other business partners who recognize the value of Celanese products and services

Productivity, Performance & Results
Commitment to increasing the strength and value of our performance-driven company by using best-in-class processes, making fact-based decisions and setting the highest expectations for individual and company results

At Celanese, we ...
- Possess a sense of urgency to drive for excellent results and continuous improvement
- Accept personal accountability and commit to meet goals and objectives
- Use analytical tools to make fact-based decisions and take informed actions
- Demonstrate the courage to make decisions that benefit the company as a whole

Teams & individuals honored for demonstrating Values
The Celanese Values are at work throughout our global company, inspiring success and driving our processes and results. Regardless of what we do or where we work, these Values guide our behaviors and decisions.

Each year, the Celanese Values Awards honor individuals and teams who serve as great examples of bringing the Celanese Values to life. The Awards spotlight the actions and results of Values-driven employees, and encourage others to learn excellence from Celanese team members.

To be nominated and named a Celanese Values Award finalist is a great honor. To win a Celanese Value Award is truly a prestige.

Awards focus on recognizing employees that perform exceptional results to improve:
- The safety of our workplaces because of rigorous daily practices and processes
- The employees and leaders who provide work challenges and opportunities that make us a stronger company
- The employees who serve our customers, producing and delivering products that are essential to life
- The teams and employees who are growing our businesses and commercializing products that deliver results

CULANSE VALUES AWARD WINNER: Crescent Construction Project -- Marco Vela of the Cangrejera plant and Jorge Oliveros of the Ocotlan plant, both in Mexico, developed a Safety Orientation process to help find qualified contractor employees to safely build the Crescent unit. The orientation package outlined specific safety and health procedures and expectations, and included training and testing of competency and process knowledge. As a result, the vast majority of contractor employees learned the material, passed the examination and completed the construction project without serious incidents. The project included 1.7 million man hours, with an OSHA Recordable Rate of 0.34 (compared to the industry standard of 6.3) and a Lost-Time Rate of 0 (compared to the industry standard of 3.4).

“Celanese is a great company and a significant part of my life. We want to be the role model for this value.” -- Marco Vela
Complying with applicable requirements …

- We comply with all applicable laws and regulations in each country in which we do business.
- We comply with these Guiding Principles and the company’s applicable environmental, health and safety policies and standards at all of our operations worldwide.

Using good science …

- We use good science to define and manage all significant risks arising from our activities or our products.
- We produce and sell only products that can be manufactured, distributed, used and disposed of safely.

Operating safely …

- We design and operate our facilities to provide our employees with a safe workplace and to minimize the potential for any adverse impacts on health and the environment.
- Each employee is accountable for safe work practices and responsible environmental conduct.

Managing contractors …

- We only do business with contractors who perform their services in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.
- We require our contractors to comply with applicable Celanese environmental, health and safety standards.

Communicating proactively …

- We openly communicate our environmental, health and safety performance with all internal and external stakeholders.
- We implement responsible incident management and crisis communications procedures and processes.
- We promptly communicate to affected persons the potential hazards of our products and activities while sharing methods necessary for environmental, health and safety protection.

Managing responsibly …

- We implement our Guiding Principles through environmental, safety and health management systems.

EHS Guiding Principles

Celanese businesses bear full responsibility for its environmental, health, employee and process safety performance. Celanese management and all of its employees adhere to the following Guiding Principles:

Each operating facility is audited periodically to assure compliance with applicable laws and regulations and with corporate and business policies and procedures. Significant findings are reported promptly to senior management.

By acting in compliance with the Environmental, Health and Safety Policy and Guiding Principles, Celanese, its operating businesses, managers, employees support the goals of the chemical industry’s international Responsible Care program.
About Celanese

Celanese Corporation is a leading global integrated producer of chemicals and advanced materials used in consumer products and industrial applications. Our products are essential building blocks in the conveniences and components that make up modern life - everything from cell phones to food ingredients, to medical products, packaging and vehicle parts.

Our leadership and growth is driven by a base of world-class scientists, engineers, operators and professionals who are recognized for operational excellence and execution on business strategies. We deliver earnings growth and increased value to customers, shareholders and employees across the globe.

Our history dates back to 1912, when our predecessor company was founded in Switzerland (Basel). Present-day Celanese was established in 2005, followed by a successful Initial Public Offering on the New York Stock Exchange in 2005. Celanese today is a U.S.-based public company traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the (CE) ticker symbol.

Celanese is based in Dallas, Texas, and employs 8,400 worldwide.

The business segments of Celanese

Celanese’s operations and businesses are organized into four distinct segments. Net sales in 2007 totaled $6.4 billion, about 70 percent of which was generated beyond North America. Those segments are:

- **Acetyls Intermediates**
  Acetyls Intermediates is a leading producer of acetyl products, which are intermediate chemicals for nearly all major industries. These products comprise acetic acid, acetic anhydride and vinyl acetate monomer, of which Celanese is the world’s largest producer. End-uses of acetyl products include paints, adhesives, coatings, medicines, feedstock and other industrial applications.

- **Advanced Engineered Materials (AEM)**
  The businesses of AEM produce engineered polymers used in a wide array of end-products, including fuel systems, electronics, safety systems, emissions filtration and fluid handling. Celanese’s AEM segment includes the Ticona business, as well as joint venture companies Polyplastics Co. Ltd., Korea Engineering Plastics Company Ltd., and Fortron Industries.

- **Industrial Specialties**
  This segment includes the Celanese Emulsion Polymers, polyvinyl alcohol (PVOH) and AT Plastics businesses. AT Plastic’s low-density resins and compounds are used in flexible packaging, lamination products, hot melt adhesives, medical tubing and auto parts. Emulsion polymers and PVOH products are used in paints and coatings, adhesives, building and construction, glass fiber, textiles and paper. Within this segment, Celanese is recognized as a leader in environmentally friendly, low-VOC technology.

- **Consumer Specialties**
  The businesses of Consumer Specialties produces specialty derivatives from acetyl products to make consumer-focused and end-use products. The Acetate Products business makes acetate tow, a fibrous material used in filter applications. Acetate flake, another key product, is used in textile filaments, solvent cast film and filter tow. The segment’s Nutrinova business produces ingredients for the food, beverage and pharmaceuticals industries. Products include the high-intensity food sweetener acesulfame potassium, marketed under the Sunett® brand, and sorbates used in food preservatives.
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**Businesses of Celanese 2007**

- Advanced Engineered Materials: 16%
- Consumer Specialties: 17%
- Acetyl Intermediates: 46%
- Industrial Specialties: 21%

**Employees By Region**

- Europe: 42%
- Asia: 6%
- NAFTA: 51%
- Other regions: 1%

**Net Sales by Region**

- Americas: 29%
- Europe: 43%
- Asia: 28%

**Site Location Map**

- America: Boucherville, QC, Winona, MN, Pasadena, TX, Clear Lake, TX, Dallas, TX, Pampa, TX, Bishop, TX, Bay City, TX, Meredosia, IL, Calvert City, KY, Florence, KY, Narrows, VA, Shelby, NC, Wilmington, NC, Enoree, SC, Octolan, Mexico, Zacapu, Mexico, Cangrejera, Mexico, Suzano, Brazil, Edmonton, AB

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Europe
- Tarragona, Spain
- Frankfurt, Germany
- Kelsterbach, Germany
- Oberhausen, Germany
- Kronberg, Germany
- Spondon, UK
- Geleen, Netherlands
- Perstorp, Sweden
- Budapest, Hungary
- Roussillon, France
- Pardies, France
- Lanaken, Belgium

Asia
- Singapore
- Shanghai, China
- Nanjing, China
- Nantong, China
- Zhuhai, China
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- Malaysia
- Japan
- Korea
- Saudi Arabia
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Safety at Celanese
The Journey to Zero Incidents, Zero Injuries

Safety is a precondition for all we do at Celanese. We take seriously our responsibility to protect ourselves, one another, our worldwide communities, equipment and facilities.

Since Celanese became a U.S.-based publicly traded company in 2005, leadership has purposefully transitioned the company’s safety approach from site-developed, site-specific processes, to a global best practice-driven approach with corporate-level guidelines. We’ve taken processes that work well at sites, documented them as best practices, and adopted them worldwide.

In Celanese today, the expectation for safety starts with strong commitment from leadership, and it’s reinforced by engaged, proactive employees committed to helping all workers return home in the same condition they arrived.

Keeping employees safe

In 2007, Celanese formalized the “Employee Engagement Process” that was adopted as part of our global Integrated Management System (IMS). IMS processes promote consistency, common expectations and employee engagement in occupational processes. It applies to all employees in Celanese businesses across the globe.

Our IMS processes set a high expectation that leadership is accountable and responsible for training employees, implementing process change and ensuring effective implementation by measuring progress and assuring improvement actions are completed.

Further, employees are expected to proactively develop a zero-injury safety culture through setting, measuring, and acting on employee engagement activities. Our safety processes also define and assign specific safety tasks for site leaders, site directors, site Environmental Health & Safety personnel, site safety committees, rapid intervention teams, and individual employees.

Additionally, IMS standards require work groups to review incidents and near misses, and to observe hazards and behaviors that contribute to employee safety.

This formalized approach has helped Celanese sites to continue to further advance safety culture and activities at the site level. Recent benchmark data confirms that since 2004, we have advanced our safety ratings into the top 10 percent of our industry peers.
Process Safety
Safe Facilities & Safe Communities

Process safety is the proactive control of risk to human life associated with releases of hazardous chemicals and energy such as fires, explosions and toxins. Our expectation is zero accidents and zero defects.

In 2007, Celanese expanded the scope of our facilities’ process safety management system elements by 40 percent, and also required all manufacturing sites to establish a Responsibility and Accountability plan encompassing each of the system’s 21 elements. The result is stronger, more thorough methods which ensure the safety of our plants, equipment and the communities in which we operate.

Global training standards are key in advancing process safety. More than 300 employees are trained annually in process safety techniques such as process hazard and consequence analysis through internal programs. We continually monitor our safety, environmental and process safety compliance to identify opportunities for improvement through regular internal audits by Celanese technical experts, third-party experts and our EHS team.

In late 2007, Celanese’s process safety integrity was affirmed by a third-party review when Responsible Care visited three Celanese sites - Bishop, Pasadena and Clear Lake. Responsible Care found us compliant with all standards in our operations. Responsible Care is a program developed by the American Chemistry Council to drive accountability, uniformity and transparency in management systems at U.S. chemical sites, and to extend best practices throughout the chemical supply chain.

“There was significant evidence the responsible management system has been effectively implemented at all three production sites. Celanese has demonstrated its commitment to Responsible Care in the management of chemicals produced. Many processes are in place to assess and control potential impacts to the surrounding environment and health and safety of its employees.”

---- The Technical Specification assessment conformance report
Next step toward step change: Alert 2

“Project ALERT”, launched in 2005, provided processes and tools for employees and managers to reduce accidents and injuries in all Celanese work places. “ALERT” is an acronym for: Accountability, Leadership, Employees, Requirements, and Tools. From 2004 to 2007, Project ALERT helped Celanese reduce our global OSHA Injury Rate (OIR) by 63 percent. This reduction is significant because it demonstrates reduced risk to employees, reduced liability for the company and is a strong indication that our sites are adhering to safe practices in planned and daily activities.

In 2007, Project ALERT 2 was introduced to support the Employee Engagement Process and to drive continuous improvement. “Project ALERT 2” emphasizes the role of employee engagement in the safety process through training, recognition and employee empowerment. These initiatives propel us further on our “Journey To Zero”.

Like the original Project ALERT, Project ALERT 2 reinforces that employees should never trade safety for production. Alert 2 also goes beyond traditional chemical industry safety programs to extend into non-manufacturing areas, including offices, sales floors and warehouses.

Nanjing Integrated Chemicals Complex: Safety from the ground up

Celanese’s Nanjing Integrated Chemical Complex embodies the company’s world-class process safety methods in one modern facility.

In developing and building the Nanjing complex, Celanese consistently exceeded local regulations to ensure the highest level of technology and processes are employed further demonstrating our commitment to safety, to the environment and to our communities.

The facility began production in September 2007, and continues to exceed safety and production expectations. For more on the Nanjing Complex, please see the “Focus on China” section of this report.
Employee Engagement reflected in Life Critical Training

Celanese conducted refresher training for Life Critical Procedures on a global basis in 2007 as one of many activities that contributes to the safety of people, process, environment, and communities.

Life-critical procedures include:

- Safe Work Permit Processes
- Safe Work Permit
- Energy Isolation
- Confined Space
- Hot Work
- Line Breaking
- High Pressure Water Cleaning
- Elevated Work
- Excavation

At the Bishop, Texas, site, a small team of employees worked together to deliver life-critical training to more than 450 people including operations, maintenance and contractors. In addition to classroom material, the team developed hands-on, realistic exercises to provide students the opportunity to demonstrate the knowledge learned and practice the skills required. For this, the Bishop Life Critical Training team was honored in the Celanese Values Awards, a prestigious designation that recognizes Celanese teams that best demonstrate the company’s values in action.

The high level of employee engagement in the training resulted in consistent application of procedures, and also set a foundation of ownership in the process that builds on the Celanese safety culture and promotes sustainable results.
Site Safety highlights

**Spondon achieves 1 million OSHA-free hours**

Celanese's Spondon, UK, site in September 2007 celebrated 1 million hours of operation without an OSHA-recordable injury. The Spondon site employs 600, and produces acetate flake and tow, as well as Clarifoil, a cellulose diacetate film.

When Spondon was acquired by Celanese, the company brought a commitment and urgency to instill safe work practices at the facility. Safety experts from Celanese sites in Narrows, Va., Bishop and Dallas, Texas, contributed to a significantly improved focus on safety. This demonstrated to plant employees how important safety is at Celanese.

**Safety success in Spain**

In June 2007, the Federación de Industrias Químicas de España recognized Celanese Chemicals Ibérica, S.L., for Health and Safety achievements. Spain-based Celanese Chemicals Ibérica, S.L. did not have a single accident resulting in lost-time injury during 2006. That streak continued, and the site had no serious injuries or lost time accidents in 2007.

**Florence site safety record**

Employees and contractors at the Ticona site in Florence, KY, are demonstrating that injuries and accidents can be avoided by working safely. On July 7, 2007, the facility celebrated seven years with no lost time injuries, which translates into 2.6 million hours of consecutive operations with no lost time injuries. This milestone has been achieved through participation by everyone at the site to make sure that all employees work safe every time.

The facility attributes its most recent progress to its Safety Leaders Program. The program expands the roles and responsibilities to all levels of the organization and uses individual proactive milestones as a measure of the site’s safety performance.

Lyndy Lawlor the facility EHS Leader said, "We are making significant progress with our safety culture. Our approach has changed from reactive case management to proactive hazard elimination. Going forward our focus will be to improve the attention to detail and hazard recognition."

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"...The key takeaway from our meetings was that safety was the clear number one priority, whereas before it would have been one of many priorities.” said Mike Kelsey, site director at Spondon.

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In June 2007, the Federación de Industrias Químicas de España presented Celanese Chemicals Ibérica, S.L. with an award for Health and Safety recognition. Celanese Chemicals Ibérica, S.L. did not have a single accident resulting in injury during 2006. The picture shows Gustavo Mendoza, EHS manager, right, accepting the award from the president of COASHIQ.
Zona Istmo achieves major safety milestone

Employees at the Zona Istmo site in Mexico have worked more than 4 million hours without an incident. Site Manager Antonio Rodriguez and EHS manager Esteban Sulvaran attribute this remarkable record to a high level of management and employee involvement in the safety process.

"A combination of self-critique and sense of vulnerability has become part of our daily jobs; putting these behaviors into the context of Alert 2 initiative. We have a system where all personnel is engaged and accountable for results," Rodriguez said.

Sulvaran adds, "By living a culture of discipline and relentlessly becoming a safety learning organization, we have been able to move faster into the journey for an interdependent safety culture."

European managers convene for Safety summit

European EHS managers convened in Germany in October 2007 for an EHS workshop to roll out new global Process Safety Management standards. The goal of the initiative was to harmonize the program for all European Celanese sites to minimize incidents and improve safety at our workplaces.

Workshop participants focused on several initiatives including:

- Development and implementation of future standard work processes
- Celanese process safety culture
- The development of Process Safety metrics for lagging and leading indicators
- Management of organizational change
- Management review
- Conduct of operations
- Employee involvement

A follow-up summit to continue this momentum took place in the fall of 2008.

Safety at Clear Lake facility stands the test of time

Celanese Clear Lake employees achieved a significant milestone by completing four years without an OSHA lost-time injury. This is a great accomplishment for the world’s largest acetic acid and integrated acetyl facility, and demonstrates the employees’ ongoing commitment to safety and health. Additionally, employees achieved a full year without an OSHA recordable injury.

Clear Lake’s action-oriented Plant Safety Council is key to the site’s success. The Council focuses on employee involvement through various safety activities and committees.

The Hazard Awareness Recognition Committee promotes the hazard recognition program, safety stand-down meetings during plant turn-arounds, safety gate greets and safety messages sent through various channels such as the safety newsletter.

The Cold-Eye Review Committee drives employee involvement by designing a cross-functional review process where employees go into different areas of the plant and perform safety inspections that focus on housekeeping and employee behaviors. The results of each inspection are graded by the committee and prizes are awarded for participation and quality of the inspection.

The Projects Committee is Clear Lake’s newest committee. The goal of this committee is to seek out great safety ideas from the plant employees and, with their involvement, drive the safety idea to completion.

Clear Lake is working toward a continued future of safety by actively involving employees in safety initiatives and through employee involvement, driving the safety culture at this site to be “Best in Class” and helping Celanese to become the premier chemical company. About 500 are employed at the Clear Lake facility.
Frankfurt injury-free for 1 million hours

In 2007, the Frankfurt site recorded 1 million operating hours without a single OHSA incident at any of the site’s businesses -- Chemicals, Emulsions and Nutrinova. This improvement came subsequent to below-average performance in 2006. By focusing on corporate and site safety programs, the facility substantially improved on 2006 performance and was able to avoid accidents and injuries in 2007.

“In 2006, Emulsions reported four incidents at the Frankfurt site which resulted in lost working hours, as well as two OSHA incidents at the Emulsions and Chemicals businesses. We have worked hard to create a culture of safety and have undertaken additional efforts to improve our performance. We have always emphasized the importance of safety and made sure all employees utilized safe work methods,” stated site director Bernd Scharbert.

Since 2006, employees have entered near-misses into a safety database to help raise awareness about potential sources of danger. Before the implementation, the near misses were placed on repair lists but were not recorded in the system.

“It was important for us to create a culture of safety. We wanted our employees to participate in creating a safer work environment,” said Stefan Purps, site director, Nutrinova. “We wanted them to focus their attention on identifying potential dangers by utilizing the OSHA database. Employees then receive feedback on how and why hazardous situations should be addressed. The safety reporting system has greatly increased safety awareness throughout the site.”

The Frankfurt, Germany, site and the Emulsions K unit record near-misses as part of its journey to remain incident-free, injury-free. The data is printed and posted in plants so employees can learn from the near-miss experiences of their fellow employees. The site in 2007 reached 1 million hours without a single OSHA incident.
Focus on China World-Class Operations: The Nanjing Complex
In September 2007, Celanese opened its largest integrated chemical complex in Nanjing, China, to better meet the growing needs of its customers in a number of industries across Asia. The Nanjing Complex is Celanese’s most technologically advanced plant, as well as its most energy- and waste-efficient complex in the world. It is a centerpiece to Celanese’s sustainability goals, which include significant reductions in greenhouse gas emissions, air emissions, waste generation, and energy usage by 2010.

The complex, located on a 25-hectare site in the Nanjing Chemical Industrial Park (NCIP), was designed to achieve the highest environmental performance by adhering to sound engineering principles and maintaining strict environmental standards that surpass China’s current regulations.

It is staffed by more than 300 design engineers, technical experts, scientists and plant staff, and consists of seven units of our leading chemical technologies, including: acetic acid, vinyl acetate monomer (VAM), acetic anhydride, emulsions, Celstran® long fiber-reinforced thermoplastic (LFRT), GUR® ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene (UHMW-PE) and a polymer compounding unit. The acetic acid and emulsions facilities were put into commercial production in 2007, while the vinyl acetate monomer, acetic anhydride, Celstran®, and GUR® units started commercial production in 2008. The compounding unit will go into commercial production in 2009.

By 2010, it is estimated that approximately one-third of total company revenue will come from Asia, with the wholly owned Nanjing Complex contributing $600 million to $800 million in revenue.

Strategic Vision:

“We are very excited to bring our latest technology and international best practices to this complex, which will enable our new plants to enjoy low energy requirements as well as low environmental impact. We will implement the same global high standards for environment, health and safety (EHS) here as we do in other parts of the world. We are pleased to contribute to the sustainable development of China.”


AOPlus™

- The most environmentally sound acetic acid technology in the world, for which Celanese has more than 500 patents worldwide.
- AOPlus™ generates less than one-thirtieth of the gas waste generated by conventional Chinese acetic acid technology, and one-seventh of the liquid waste generated by Chinese technology on a per ton of product basis.
- Compared to other leading global acid technologies, Celanese’s AOPlus™ represents a 40 percent reduction in greenhouse gas emissions.
- The AOPlus™ technology at the Nanjing complex represents over 25 years of Celanese developmental technology that started at Celanese’s Clear Lake site in Texas, and is now operational on three continents.
- AOPlus™ enables plant capacity to be increased with minimal investment.

VAntage Plus™

- Compared to conventional Chinese acetylene based technology, Celanese’s VAntage Plus™ represents a 36 percent reduction in greenhouse gas emissions.
- VAntage Plus™ generates just one-eighth of the waste generated by conventional Chinese acetylene technology on a normalized basis.
- VAntage Plus™ generates no calcium hydroxide waste and significantly reduces greenhouse emissions given its higher efficiency.
- VAntage Plus™ enables significant increases in production efficiencies, lower operating costs and increases in capacity at 10 to 15 percent of the cost of building a new plant.
Celanese is a global leader in developing products and applying technology to improve performance, create value and drive innovation in a broad range of industrial and consumer applications. Recognizing that it is imperative to create new technologies and new products that are more environmentally sustainable for our planet, we continue to challenge ourselves everyday to be even better and to work with our customers to deliver products that are essential to day-to-day living.

From the air we breathe to the cars we drive, products enabled by Celanese are helping to improve numerous aspects of life around the world. Here are a few examples of Celanese’s innovation at work featuring products that are manufactured at the Nanjing Integrated Chemical Complex.

- **Environmentally friendly automobiles:**

  Ticona, which is Celanese's Advanced Engineering Materials division, uses proprietary technology to create Celstran® long fiber-reinforced thermoplastic (LFRT), which is used in a new generation of car materials to address consumers’ demand for environmentally friendly automobiles that are lighter, more fuel efficient. Celstran LFRT replaces metal components of a car, which can result in up to 60-70 percent weight reduction of its components thus reducing carbon dioxide emissions and increasing the number of miles per gallon. Celstran LFRT is also used to make low volatile organic compound (VOC) instrument panel carriers, and dashboards.

- **Odorless paint:**

  In China, economic growth, increasingly stringent regulations and greater consumer awareness are driving demand for higher-quality, more environmentally friendly products from consumers. Celanese manufactures vinyl acetate/ethylene (VAE) emulsions designed for the manufacture of low odor, low emission and APE-free paints and coatings. Additionally, the Nanjing facility is painted with low VOC coatings to help Celanese meet its internal sustainability goals of reducing global VOC emissions by 30 percent in 2010 (vs. 2005 levels).

- **Applying molded-in color and effects:**

  Automotive original equipment manufacturers are using Celcon®/Hostaform® acetal copolymer (POM) to produce colorful and bright, metallic-looking parts for a host of consumer applications. These special grades of Ticona polymers enable the easy, cost-efficient manufacture of components that achieve consumer required high-quality effects without the need of hazardous substances in metal and paint solutions. Components based on these engineering polymers can reduce assembly time, tooling costs, weight and VOCs.

- **Enhancing energy efficiency in homes:**

  The Nanjing complex provides customers throughout Asia with high-performance, environmentally friendly latex emulsions for use in many marketplaces: adhesives, construction, nonwovens, glass fiber, paper, textile and architectural coatings markets. The Chinese government is focusing on the need to reduce energy usage, and as a result, many buildings are now built with Exterior Insulation Finishing Systems (EIFS), a type of building system that provides exterior walls with an insulated finished surface. In the construction segment, Celanese’s emulsions products are added to the cement layer in the EIFS system to make it stronger and to improve its adhesion to the other layers. Buildings take less energy to heat and cool because the EIFS system provides continuous energy conservation.

- **Lighting the way:**

  Low-energy light emitting diode (LED) lamps help reduce energy requirements. Ticona provides customers with Vectra® liquid crystal polymer (LCP) in LED lamp sockets and housings, which come in different shapes and can be found in automobiles and other industrial lighting applications. Halogen-free flame resistance, low outgassing, good dimensional stability and precise processing are some of the important advantages that Vectra LCP from Ticona offers LED manufacturers, making it possible to manufacture very small LEDs with a flat profile.
• **Developing eco-friendly electronics:**

For electrical and electronic manufacturers to produce eco-friendly products, they need to eliminate the use of hazardous chemicals such as antimony, beryllium, phthalates and chlorine. Unique Ticona resin technologies are the basis of a broad product line - Vectra LCP, Fortron PPS, Celanex® XFR® thermoplastic polyester (PBT) and Riteflex® XFR® thermoplastic polyester elastomer (TPC-ET) - that are helping these manufacturers comply with various existing and anticipated international laws and regulations, and meet growing consumer demands.

• **Reducing emissions in the air we breathe:**

New technical standards, more effective filter systems and innovative filter media are making it possible to reduce emissions from household waste incineration units at waste plants, combined heat and power stations and cement manufacturing plants. These bag filters, which operate in harsh flue gas environments, are made with Ticona’s Fortron® polyphenylene sulfide (PPS) to help power plants meet emission regulations.

• **Saving water:**

Water plays a crucial role in the future development of the entire global economy. Minimizing the use of water is important to ensure a robust water supply for future generations. Faucet aerators, placed on kitchen or bathroom sinks, contribute water savings of up to 50 percent. In the world’s smallest faucet aerator, the “Perlator TT” made by Neoperl, Hostaform® ACS POM from Ticona displays impressive high resistance to household cleaners.

• **Realizing light structural designs:**

Continuous fiber reinforced thermoplastic composites in the Celstran product portfolio are making new structural designs possible in the energy, aircraft, rail car and automotive sectors, as well as for highly stressed components in industrial and plant construction. By using different thermoplastic matrix materials and embedding various fibers, Ticona is tailoring the Celstran thermoplastic composite’s properties to suit special customer requirements for rational and eco-friendly approaches to lightweight structural designs.

• **Purifying the world’s water:**

Ticona GUR® UHMW-PE is enabling emerging regions of the world to access safe drinking water. For example, GUR UHMW-PE is used in Asia as a pre-filter to remove sediment from drinking water. Also, filtering drinking water at the source eliminates the need for plastic water bottles. The Ticona contribution is in the carbon black filters that use GUR UHMW-PE as a proprietary binding agent to increase water filtration efficiency.

**Nanjing Delivers Superior Environmental and Safety Performance**

Celanese applies the same high global standards for environment, health and safety (EHS) in Nanjing as it does in all other global operations. Celanese designs and operates our facilities to provide our employees with a safe workplace that minimizes the potential for any adverse impact on health and the environment.

Nanjing is not only our largest integrated chemical complex in the world, but it is also one of our lowest-cost and most energy efficient facilities. The complex, which incorporates seven plants with Celanese’s leading technologies and environmental and safety standards, marks a major milestone for Celanese’s operations in China and Asia.
For example

- The acetic acid plant in Nanjing uses world-class leading technology and is the largest train manufacturing unit of acetic acid in China, with annual capacity of 600,000 metric tons.

- The emulsions plant features a state-of-the-art pressure reactor to make vinyl acetate ethylene (VAE) emulsions as well as a conventional reactor for the production of homo- and co-polymers of vinyl acetate and acrylic emulsions. The products will be integral in the manufacturing of high-performance adhesives, high-tech glass fiber and cutting-edge low-VOC / low-odor paint. This new plant in Nanjing is the ninth emulsions facility in the Celanese global network.

In addition, Celanese is committed to achieving the highest levels of safety performance worldwide. Our employees pride themselves in their safe work practices and responsible environmental conduct.

- After opening in 2007, the site has completed more than 10 million work hours without a Lost Time Injury (LTI), under both construction and operational conditions.

- Twice a day at the Nanjing Complex, safety meetings are held prior to the start of each shift to ensure safety remains at the forefront of everyone’s thoughts.

Employees pursue premier everyday at Nanjing

The Nanjing complex offers employees a robust employee development program. Through industry-leading, hands-on training and mentoring programs, employees at the Nanjing complex are immersed into Celanese’s values from day one. Even prior to opening the complex, Celanese hired new university graduates and trained them on similar units in Singapore. This allowed the graduates to learn Celanese’s technology as well as important environmental, health, and safety initiatives in an established operating plant with an outstanding EHS track record.

The backbone of employee training at every Celanese plant worldwide is safety. As a precondition for operational excellence, employees are trained in safety programs even before learning skills for their job.

“Safety training not only demonstrates the company’s safety culture, but also gives employees a feeling of comfort working in the facilities of Celanese’s Nanjing Integrated Chemical Complex,” says Wang Fang, site EHS leader.

In 2007, the Nanjing complex launched a leadership program consisting of an intensive 10-week course of weekly case studies and discussions, where future company leaders are not only trained in enriching their own skills, but also in coaching and leading others.

Consistent and open communication is central to every organization and this is especially true at Celanese. Employees are encouraged to collaborate on projects to create better solutions for our customers and for our company.

For example, an engineering idea developed by an operator at the acetic acid unit shed light on a new approach to waste water reduction that ultimately resulted in zero waste discharge. Examples of safety, health and environmental excellence are found throughout Celanese plants worldwide. As our newest plant, the Nanjing site is especially proud that our employees are already succeeding in innovation and communication.
Giving Back In The Nanjing Community

Since its opening in 2007, the Celanese Nanjing Integrated Chemical Complex has cultivated strong ties with the Nanjing Chemical Industrial Park (NCIP) and the community in which it operates. It serves as a flagship of environmental, energy, and operational excellence for NCIP, boosting the park administrator’s efforts to attract prospective multinational chemical companies to set up plants in the park.

“Celanese lives up to its commitment as an excellent corporate citizen with high sense of responsibility,” said Mr. Lu Yi, president of NCIP. “We’ve noticed that the Celanese Nanjing Chemical Complex not only adopts the state-of-art technology, but more importantly, takes the highest standards of environmental protection, safety and health. This is in accordance with the Chinese government’s sustainable development plan. Celanese is really a role model for all the other enterprises settled down in NCIP.”

During its first year of operation, the Nanjing complex agreed to make annual donations to the park administrator’s firefighting fund, eliminating the need for each individual chemical plant to invest in firefighting staff and equipment. By shouldering the cost of critical firefighting equipment servicing the entire park, the Celanese complex is a significant contributor to the safety of all NCIP inhabitants.

The Nanjing complex has also launched partnerships with China’s leading universities to foster local talent. Facilitated by NCIP, the Nanjing complex in 2007 established a Celanese lab at Nanjing University of Technology to advance coatings research and development. It is the first of a series of R&D partnerships between Celanese and Nanjing University of Technology aimed at raising Celanese’s technical competitiveness. The university has a strong contingent engaging in scientific research, an engineering research center at the national level, a national technique extension center, 11 engineering research centers at provincial and ministerial levels, and 12 key disciplines and key laboratories at provincial and ministerial levels.

In 2007, Celanese also established a five-year scholarship program with Peking University’s College of Polymer Science and Engineering. Each year, two doctorate students of polymer science and engineering are jointly selected by Celanese and Peking University for Celanese scholarships. The scholarship reflects Celanese’s innovative approach to talent cultivation, as it builds a pipeline of potential recruits for Celanese. Peking University is China’s oldest national university and consistently ranks among the top universities in the world.

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Environment

Celanese's concern for the environment is well served by our heritage of operational excellence. Through world-class efficiencies in energy, waste management, air emissions and water use, we are an industry leader in environmental stewardship.

Celanese continually monitors the operational efficiencies of its sites, retrofits older sites with new technologies, and implements best-in-class processes and technologies at new sites such as the Nanjing complex.

Celanese and its businesses have set ambitious continuous improvement goals for environmental performance, and we are making steady progress to meet and exceed those expectations.

Energy

Celanese is committed to sustainable reductions in global energy use. In today’s business climate, such commitment is critical to sustained operations.

Significant time and attention is devoted to reducing energy consumption and increasing energy efficiency across Celanese. Enhancement engineers, energy coordinators, Research & Development, and site technical and operations personnel, and others form the company-wide Energy Excellence team that drives our progress.
At the beginning of the decade, a corporate goal was set to reduce the energy index by 20 percent by 2005 versus a 2001 baseline. Energy index is a measure of energy used in relation to product produced, (e.g., megajoule used per ton produced). Celanese exceeded that goal with a reduction of 22 percent.

Continuing with this commitment, Celanese has set a goal of reducing our energy index by an additional 20 percent as part of our 2010 Goals. Achieving this goal will result in an overall energy index reduction of more than 35 percent by 2010. This will be the most aggressive reduction in our industry as indicated by benchmark data. At present, we are on-track to meet, and possibly exceed, this milestone.

The Acetic Acid process, or AOPlus™ Technology, is one of the key technologies fueling our global energy use reduction. This innovative technology has now been implemented at all Celanese Acetic Acid production sites - Nanjing, China; Pardies, France; Clear Lake, Texas; and Jurong Island in Singapore. Continually improving the AOPlus™ process significantly impacts the company’s bottom line through annual energy savings. Another energy-savings innovation, VAntage Plus™, is currently undergoing optimization in our Vinyl Acetate production sites and also contributes significantly to energy savings.

The Energy Excellence team developed and maintains a master project plan to continue reduction of energy use. This living document is revised as new ideas emerge and technology improves. The plan also contains projects supported by our Research & Development organization to guide the pipeline well into the future.
Energy generation in harmony with nature

The Global Energy Excellence Team of Celanese manages and regularly revisits a list of potential energy-savings projects. As an idea’s effectiveness aligns with capital expenditures required, ideas become priorities and new energy-saving projects are initiated. Renewable energy sources such as wind mills are on the list. While wind harvesting isn’t yet practical for the majority of Celanese’s larger plants, our Lanaken, Belgium, acetate site is able to generate about half its required energy with four windmills.
Waste Management

Reducing waste is a critical tenet of sustainability practices, and it’s also good business. Celanese deploys a global waste reduction strategy to actively reduce and minimize waste, avoid liability concerns, and achieve financial benefits.

When determining the best method of managing waste, our EHS team follows a Pollution Prevention Hierarchy that helps determine if waste would be best managed by reuse, energy recovery, treatment to reduce toxicity, incineration, or disposal by land application in landfill or deep well.

Whenever practical, Celanese employs reuse, recovery or treatment to reduce the company’s environmental footprint and move the output of production along a lifecycle of usefulness. If Celanese cannot reuse a recyclable product, we search for and engage with our partners to find sustainable methods of use.

As of 2007, the company had nearly achieved its 2010 waste reduction goal of 25 percent from the 2005 baseline. To continue on the path, teams are now determined to achieve 40 percent global waste reduction by 2010.

When Celanese publishes its next Sustainability Report for the year 2008, we will communicate results from our recently developed Global Waste Reduction strategy.

Focus on global waste reduction enhances local performance

Our corporate EHS team helps Celanese sites worldwide identify and reduce their largest waste streams. The team serves as a conduit for best-practice sharing, helping shepherd waste-reduction solutions to sites worldwide.

The EHS team continually monitors sites and prioritizes waste reduction projects beginning with the most significant waste generators.

For example, in 2007 after determining a Celanese site in Mexico had a greater waste intensity than its peer sites in the United States, the EHS team analyzed methods and transferred more efficient processes to the Mexico site. One process we are implementing is increased particle control. This control is not required by local regulation in Mexico, but is a best practice transfer from some of our U.S. sites. Its addition will contribute to significant cost reductions, reduced waste generation, and improved housekeeping.

“Our employees always want to do the right thing, so they welcome our help,” said Paul Dang, Celanese Waste/Wastewater leader. “They are excited to implement a project to achieve cost reductions for the company and also improve their workplace practices.”
In late 2007, Celanese’s process safety integrity was affirmed by a third-party review when Responsible Care visited three Celanese sites - Bishop, Pasadena and Clear Lake. Responsible Care found us compliant with all standards in our operations. Above, our Bishop chemical facility is surrounded on the plains of Texas by the famous King Ranch.
Air

Celanese holds itself to high air emissions standards. We comply with local and national air standards, plus our own internal policies which in some cases are more stringent than applicable regulations. In every community where we do business, our facilities meet or exceed local, regional and national environmental air standards.

Air emissions discussed in this report focus on greenhouse gas (GHG) and volatile organic compounds (VOC).

To reduce GHG climate-changing emissions -- primarily methane and carbon dioxide -- we recover heat from waste, use process-to-process heat exchangers, optimize process controls and modify reactor systems. Our staff continually reviews hazardous and non-hazardous waste products with the goal of finding beneficial uses for products of our operations.

Celanese operations worldwide have decreased GHG emissions through reduced energy consumption and improved efficiencies in our waste management processes. From 2006 to 2007, we reduced our total GHG footprint from 6.7 million metric tons to 5.5 million metric tons and our GHG index from 0.68 to 0.65 ton/ton.

Tools such as Six Sigma, digitization and advanced process engineering help us define and implement new solutions.

From 2006 to 2007, we reduced our global VOC footprint from 9.8 to 8.5 million metric tons. Our VOC index was largely unchanged primarily due to a production decrease.

Looking toward 2008 and beyond, we are on-track to meet or exceed our 2010 goal of a 30 percent reduction in our VOC index. We will achieve this primarily through a combination of control technologies and implementation of global best practices worldwide. Additionally, in place site-based initiatives will reduce emissions from non-traditional sources such as wastewater and fugitives, reportable in 2008 and beyond.
Employee well-being

Celanese is strategically and geographically well-positioned for growth throughout the next decade. Driving our success are results-focused, dynamic employees.

Ours is a no-nonsense, high-performance environment that provides challenging work assignments, the opportunity to make real impact on our business and the markets we serve, and the daily experience of interacting with global teams.

A rewarding place to work

Celanese’s policy on compensation is to reward the most productive employees for making the greatest impact on our success. Pay for performance is well-understood, and deeply engrained in our culture.

Celanese compensation packages are two-part -- a market-competitive base salary, plus performance bonuses and merit plans. When employees meet or exceed individual goals for the year, that personal performance is financially rewarded. Likewise, when the company meets or exceeds its goals for the year, employees are rewarded.

Celanese supports the well-being of our employees and their families with excellent benefits, including 401(k) savings plans, retirement savings and pension plans; health, dental and vision plans; flexible-spending plans; life insurance and family protection plans; educational reimbursement; and adoption assistance.

Community

Through contributions of time, money and talent, the people of Celanese extend our closely held values into our communities by working toward a positive and lasting difference.

Volunteer teams at our sites choose the local causes they wish to support. Red Cross, YMCA, Meals on Wheels, American Cancer Society, local schools, homeless shelters, chambers of commerce, charities and municipal emergency agencies are among the many beneficiaries of our company’s giving programs.

United Way

Support for local United Way or United Fund organizations is a key community relations priority for Celanese sites in the United States. Celanese is well represented in annual fund-raising campaigns, and the company matches employee contributions.

Our employees contribute to the success of United Way by serving in leadership positions on boards and cabinet committees. In the larger communities where we do business, our sites serve as Pacesetter contributors.

In recent years, Celanese has heightened its encouragement of employee participation. In 2006 and 2007 Celanese improved our overall contributions to United Way by 60 percent and 35 percent respectively. The company’s gift per employee increased by 64 percent in 2006, and another 32 percent in 2007.

In the small community of Narrows, Va., where Celanese operates a chemical plant that employs 600, employees and the company jointly contributed over $70,000 to United Fund - about 75 percent of the total money collected in the entire county in 2007.

In our headquarters city of Dallas, Celanese now ranks in the top 10 of Dallas based companies in many of the key metrics used by United Way. We achieved this by setting stretch goals, measuring progress and refusing to be satisfied with past performance.

In 2007, our headquarters’ campaign exceeded its goal and celebrated its most successful year ever with a donation of more than $480,000. This gift represents a 35 percent increase over last year. The company has also doubled the number of Tocqueville contributors pledging $10,000 or more, received contributions from expatriates, and involved retirees.

Habitat For Humanity

Celanese’s Volunteer Action Team in Dallas helped a local family fulfill the dream of owning a home when it organized a home-building project through Habitat for
So that a Dallas family could achieve the dream of owning a home, Celanese contributed $35,000 to sponsor the house, and employees and their family members dedicated about 700 volunteer hours, and plans to continue supporting this charity through employee donations and time.

“Celanese is committed to helping those in need. Habitat for Humanity has created more than 2,000 homes in the DFW area, a truly remarkable achievement, and Celanese is proud to be associated with this great nonprofit organization,” said Michael Summers, senior vice president of Human Resources.

Key Affiliations

We collaborate with representatives in our industry. We are charter members of Responsible Care, the global chemical industry’s performance initiative implemented through the American Chemistry Council (ACC). In the United States, Celanese has been a key partner in the ACC for more than 40 years.

The Responsible Care initiative implements world-class management systems, verified through independent auditors; tracks performance through established environment, health, safety and security measures; and extends these best practices to business partners through the industry supply chain.

A Responsible Care Management System is deployed across our organization and has earned third-party certification. With more than 30 facilities around the world, Celanese extends the spirit of Responsible Care accountability, policies and reporting to sites outside the United States, while keeping with all local regulatory and statutory obligations and customs.

In 2009, Celanese will assume a greater leadership role in the ACC when our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer David Weidman will serve as chairman of the ACC board. For a briefing on Mr. Weidman’s perspectives, please see the Question & Answer to follow with Chairman and CEO David Weidman.

Celanese Political Action Committee

We are engaged in the U.S. political process through the Celanese Political Action Committee. The purpose of the organization, which is funded solely by voluntary contributions from eligible Celanese employees, is to support those candidates for state and federal office who represent our sites and take strong positions on the issues of greatest importance to Celanese.

So that a Dallas family could achieve the dream of owning a home, Celanese employees gave more than 700 volunteer hours and the company donated $35,000 to sponsor a home-building project through Habitat For Humanity in 2007. Volunteers and funds also are in place for another house project in 2008.
Closing Conversation with David Weidman

As we complete our reflections on 2007, Celanese continues its determination to channel our momentum into ever-continuing improvements in sustainability, growth and industry leadership. That leadership will grow more formal in 2009 when Celanese Chairman and CEO David Weidman serves as chairman of the American Chemistry Council.

Weidman welcomes the opportunity this report provides to reach out to all of our stakeholders. Here are some closing comments from him.

- **How does Celanese's approach to day-to-day business influence its 2010 sustainability goals?**

  At Celanese, our mindset is never to be satisfied with our performance. As a result, we are always striving to improve. This way of thinking influences all aspects of our business, including sustainability. For example, in 2004 we set the goal of achieving zero work-related injuries. With that goal, the organization rethought how we approach safety. We have restructured and reframed our processes, accountabilities and leadership and employee expectations. Since that time, Bureau of Labor Statistics data shows that Celanese now ranks among the best in both the chemical industry and the manufacturing sector overall. This continuous improvement mindset is reflected throughout this report.

- **Celanese set a high standard when it designed and began operating the Celanese Nanjing Integrated Chemical Facility; why was that important and would you do it again?**

  The Nanjing Integrated Chemical Facility represents Celanese’s current state-of-the-art. We would absolutely take the same approach with future growth opportunities. As a global corporate citizen, we are committed to more than complying with regulations. Our company culture and our values demand the highest standards in operations, people and customer and community service as prerequisites for commercial success. We are honored to be doing business in China and feel it is our responsibility to protect the environment, health and safety of our employees and communities. This is the cornerstone of our business conduct and we adhere to it everywhere Celanese does business.

- **What area of influence do you hope to bring to the chemical industry during your chairmanship of the American Chemistry Council (ACC) in 2009?**

  One of my primary goals as Chairman of the ACC board will be to ensure that the association adopts a broad, global perspective on the key challenges we face. While ACC’s primary responsibility is to represent the American chemical industry, the simple fact is that the vast majority of ACC members operate all around the world, and it is critical that there be more consistency and harmonization among the various regulatory programs that govern our operations.

  Domestically, 2009 is shaping up to be a challenging year for the chemical sector. We will have a new United States president in January who will have his own priorities. While significant changes in direction can create uncertainty, this also will present some real opportunities to drive the debate on government policy and specific rules that could have long-term impacts on our industry. The ACC will be a key player in policy debates on Capitol Hill, and I will work closely with former Congressman Cal Dooley, ACC’s new president, to push the industry’s agenda in Washington.

- **What are the top priorities of ACC?**

  The ACC board has named chemical regulation and energy policy as top priorities for 2009. Recent developments suggest that direct challenges to
specific chemicals will arise next year as well. At the same time that ACC represents our interests in Washington, it also will need to lead efforts to educate the broader public on our industry and the essential benefits that chemicals provide in everyone's daily lives. ACC sets high expectations for its members under the voluntary programs of Responsible Care, and the association will continue to educate the public and policy makers about the industry's achievements under this program in the future.

The public is an important audience for the chemical industry. How does the ACC engage with constituents?

The ACC employs a "360 degree communication effort," called "Essential2 Life." The focus of the program is to highlight how chemistry is essential to everyday life. This includes a public education program intended to help people understand that chemicals are essential to the quality of our lives today. It also strongly encourages ACC members to open their doors to the communities in which they reside. The association's goal is to create a two-way dialogue in which plants and the public can share information and enhance mutual understanding. This is vital to industry's continued ability to operate in communities and towns throughout the U.S. and the world.

What do you believe is the most important role played by organizations such as ACC, and the International Council of Chemistry Associations (ICCA)?

The most important role for trade associations is to serve as forthright advocates for the industry and its members. In addition to the ACC and ICCA, Celanese belongs to a number of national and regional associations. Each of these helps us monitor legislative and regulatory developments that may impact our products or our operations, and they also serve an important role in promoting the benefits of our products and our strong safety and environmental records.

Finding consensus among members with often divergent interests and priorities is a constant challenge for any association. ACC and ICCA have been successful at developing common positions for the industry on key issues. In addition, the associations help develop baseline performance goals and common commitments like Responsible Care and the Global Product Strategy. Such voluntary programs help demonstrate our adherence to the responsible use and management of our products and validate the need for consistency and sound science in the development of risk-based standards.