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***Sulphur World Symposium 2010* explores industry challenges—experts define areas in use expansion coupled with scenario for additional production**

DOHA, QATAR, April 15, 2010 — The Sulphur Institute's *Sulphur World Symposium 2010* held this week in Doha, Qatar focused on the dynamic changes occurring in the sulphur industry. Well-respected industry analyst, Mike Kitto, British Sulphur Consultants, indicated that not only will Qatar increase production, but most notably, so will other countries in the Arab Gulf and several in the former Soviet Union. He presented a scenario whereby sulphur production will outpace consumption by an average exceeding 2.5 million tons annually through 2019, despite expected increased consumption in some areas. The symposium was inaugurated by His Excellency Abdullah bin Hamad Al Attiyah, deputy premier and minister of energy and industry for the State of Qatar, who spoke to additional commissioning of various projects in Qatar. "Sulphur production will increase significantly from this year's 1.2 to 2.5 million tons per annum by 2015," stated the deputy premier and minister in his opening remarks.

Speaking to the record-setting number of delegates at the TSI symposium, Ms. Catherine A. Randazzo, TSI president and CEO, summarized, "Despite continued increases in sulphur demand for China, ore leaching, and coming expansion with newer applications, such as sulphur fertilizers, sulphur asphalt and sulphur concrete, challenges in various aspects of the industry will continue. TSI is committed to working with the industry through these future challenges, remaining the industry's single voice on a host of matters, including advocacy, environmental, health and safety, transportation regulations and logistics." TSI celebrated its 50th year of service to the industry at its symposium.

Mr. Hermann H. Wittje, TSI chair and director raw materials, The Mosaic Company, called on all aspects of the industry to make sure they are active in TSI. Wittje affirmed, "TSI has expanded its membership to include producers, consumers, and traders, as well as those in service applications, and on a global basis, to address items impacting the entire industry." Founded in 1960, TSI is committed to representing all stakeholders actively engaged in producing, buying, selling, handling, transporting, or adding value to sulphur on a global basis. For more information about TSI membership, programs and contributions to the industry, contact Chris deBrey, The Sulphur Institute, 1140 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 612, Washington, DC 20036, USA. Telephone: +1 202 331 9660; facsimile: +1 202 293 2940; E-mail: CdeBrey@sulphurinstitute.org.

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