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Qatar's Deputy Premier, Minister of Energy and Industry Will Open TSI's *Sulphur World Symposium 2010*

WASHINGTON, DC, February 27, 2010 — His Excellency Abdulla bin Hamad Al Attiyah, Qatar's deputy premier, minister of energy and industry will address delegates at The Sulphur Institute's (TSI) *Sulphur World Symposium 2010* on April 13, 2010 at 8:30 in the morning. The symposium to be held in Doha is a testament to Qatar's rapidly growing importance to the energy and sulphur business.

Catherine Randazzo, TSI president and CEO, expressed her appreciation for the patronage and attendance of His Excellency Al Attiyah. "Qatar is on the cusp of becoming a major player in the international sulphur market with gas projects recently completed and more nearing completion. And with its natural gas reserves third largest in the world, and oil reserves, 14th in the world, respectively, the country will become even more important and significant to the energy and sulphur business." Randazzo added that the establishment and expansion at Qatar's Ras Laffan Industrial City to handle the country's rising sulphur supplies was one driver in holding the international sulphur industry's premier annual event in Qatar. "Delegates have shown a lot of interest in the Ras Laffan tour, as well as the comprehensive speakers' program for the three-day event," remarked Randazzo.

"TSI has secured the industry's best to address issues dominating today's business with a special look at near-term developments," indicated Chris de Brey, who has spearheaded speaker participation. De Brey added that event specifics are available at: www.sulphurinstitute.org/symposium10/, the Institute's newly launched website devoted to the symposium.

Founded in 1960, TSI is committed to representing all stakeholders actively engaged in producing, buying, selling, handling, transporting, or adding value to sulphur. Members of the media interested in covering His Excellency's remarks should contact Don Messick, The Sulphur Institute, 1140 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 612, Washington, DC 20036, USA. Telephone: +1 202 331 9586; facsimile: +1 202 293 2940; E-mail: DMessick@sulphurinstitute.org

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Important Style Note to Editors: Sulfur is the preferred spelling in the United States, but the formal name of The Sulphur Institute is spelled with a "ph."