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### **TSI recognizes Roy A. Pickren, Jr., Crescent Technology— more than 50 years of service to sulphur industry**

WASHINGTON, DC, July 21, 2010 — The Sulphur Institute (TSI) continues to celebrate its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The Institute recognized Roy A. Pickren, Jr., president, Crescent Technology, Inc. of New Orleans, Louisiana, USA, for over 50 years of contribution to the sulphur industry.

In 1959, Pickren joined Freeport Minerals, Inc. (later Freeport McMoRan, Inc.) and was in Joillet, Illinois, USA, 50 years ago to oversee receipt of the first-ever liquid sulphur shipment. And a few years later, he was aboard ship with the first trans-Atlantic liquid sulphur cargo to Europe.

“Needless to say, I have witnessed a lot of changes within the sulphur industry during my career,” Pickren remarked upon receipt of his certificate of appreciation from Herman Wittje, chair, The Sulphur Institute and director, raw materials, The Mosaic Company. Catherine A. Randazzo, TSI president and CEO, stated, “Roy’s experience within the sulphur industry is impressive and we are thankful for his TSI service.” Randazzo noted these Pickren experiences:

- served as president of Freeport Sulphur Company
- was a part of a successful sulphur exploration program in the Sinai desert
- contributed to the engineering and construction of the massive offshore platform and facilities of the Main Pass 299 sulphur mine
- worked to construct and install a submerged combustion sulphur purification unit in Iraq
- and led a sulphur-driven venture designing and engineering for planned sulphur processing, terminal and export facilities in southern Russia and the Ukraine.

Pickren’s recognition was the result of a polling of delegates registered for TSI’s *Sulphur World Symposium 2010*. His more than 50 years of service exceeded that of an additional 21 individuals honored for their numerous years of contribution to the industry. Pickren’s resume includes education at Georgia Institute of Technology, Louisiana State University and the University of Virginia.

In 1993, Pickren co-founded Crescent Technology, Inc., [www.cticonsult.com](http://www.cticonsult.com). Crescent provides consulting services in engineering, environmental management, safety and laboratory analyses to an international client base, including the sulphur 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. The Sulphur Institute will host *Sulphur World Symposium 2011* in New York, New York, USA, April 11-14, 2011. 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](mailto:CdeBrey@sulphurinstitute.org), Website: [www.sulphurinstitute.org](http://www.sulphurinstitute.org).

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