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ODESSA, Texas – Orion Pacific, Inc. and REXtac, LLC have completed the purchase of Flint Hills Resources' APAO assets at the petrochemical facility here. REXtac, LLC has also completed the purchase of Huntsman's APAO and FPO business units.

REXtac will combine these assets into a single APAO production, converting, development, marketing and sales enterprise headquartered in Odessa, Texas, under REXtac, LLC. REXtac will continue to produce the current APAO Huntsman product slate plus add new co-polymer atactic poly alpha olefin products and compounds.

"The total project will take abandoned assets and use them to save the jobs of 100 skilled engineers, technicians, mechanics, scientists and managers in Odessa, Texas," states Nick Fowler, president of the two companies. Re-start for the plant is scheduled for October 15th of this year.

Final closings took place August 7, 2009. No purchase price was disclosed.

Included in the sale are the patents, rights, property and equipment formerly used to manufacture APAO (atactic poly alpha olefin) and FPO (flexible polyolefin.)

"We wish Nick and his team the best in their effort to continue the APAO business," said Jeff Ramsey, senior vice president of chemicals for Flint Hills Resources.

Flint Hills Resources announced in November 2008 plans to close the plant.

Orion Pacific has over twenty-five years of direct APAO experience, and is the original APAO solid format processor for Huntsman. Orion Pacific originated the patented APAO "potato" form in 1995.