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## **Koch Nitrogen Company to Dedicate Habitat for Humanity Home in Greensburg**

*WICHITA, Kan.* – The first Habitat for Humanity home to be sponsored in the tornado-ravaged community of Greensburg will be dedicated today. The Quinones family, owners of the home, will be joined by leaders and employees from Koch companies, Habitat for Humanity representatives, Greensburg Mayor Bob Dixson and State Rep. Dennis McKinney at the dedication ceremony.

Koch Nitrogen Company donated \$65,000 to support the project. Construction began July 24, and was completed in four weeks by hundreds of employees from Koch companies in Dodge City and Wichita with help from community volunteers.

Other Koch companies, including Georgia-Pacific and INVISTA, donated “green” building materials for the home, including:

- Georgia-Pacific’s DensArmor Plus® paperless interior drywall. DensArmor Plus® products are the first and only gypsum drywall products to receive GREENGUARD Indoor Air Quality certifications recognizing indoor products that have low emissions.
- Georgia-Pacific’s Plytanium® Thermostat® plywood radiant barrier sheathing. Designed to reflect up to 97 percent of the sun’s radiant heat, this radiant barrier sheathing can lower attic temperatures and improve energy efficiency in the home.
- INVISTA’s STAINMASTER® carpet. The nylon 6,6 in INVISTA’s STAINMASTER® carpet extends the reusable life of the carpet by up to 50 percent over other carpets and can also be recycled back into carpet fiber or other high-value products like carpet cushions, carpet backing and other end uses.

The home will also be stocked with Georgia-Pacific’s Angel Soft® bathroom tissue, Sparkle® paper towels, Mardi Gras® napkins and a gift basket of Dixie® tabletop products including cups, plates and cutlery.

“The generosity of Koch companies is helping change lives in Greensburg,” said Linda Stewart, executive director of Wichita Habitat for Humanity, Inc. “Koch has been a valuable partner with our organization, and it is gratifying to work with them to help rebuild this community.”

“As fellow Kansans, we feel a special connection to Greensburg,” said Steve Packebush, president of Koch Nitrogen Company. “Not only is our Dodge City plant nearby, but our employees were among the first to step up immediately following the 2007 tornado, donating \$25,000 and sending tools and equipment to begin to get the town back on its feet.”

According to Koch Nitrogen’s Dodge City Plant Manager, Gary LeRock, “This build was a special opportunity for Koch employees from Dodge City and Wichita to help our fellow Kansans. It’s been a terrific experience made even better by knowing we’ve made a real difference in the lives of the Quinones family.”

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In addition to the 2008 Habitat project, Koch companies and their employees donated more than \$170,000 in cash and in-kind donations to Greensburg's rebuilding efforts in 2007. Koch companies have been long-time partners with Habitat and in 2007 sponsored and built their third Habitat home in Wichita. The Greensburg project marks the fourth Habitat for Humanity home completed by Koch companies' employees.

**About Wichita Habitat for Humanity**

Habitat for Humanity International is a non-profit ecumenical Christian housing ministry that welcomes to its work all people dedicated to the cause of eliminating poverty housing. Since its founding in Americus, Ga., in 1976, Habitat has built more than 300,000 houses in nearly 100 countries, providing simple, decent and affordable shelter for more than 1 million people. Habitat homes are sold at no profit and purchased by low-income households through no-profit 0%-interest mortgages. The local Wichita Habitat for Humanity chapter, founded in 1986, has built 94 homes in the Sedgwick County area and will complete 16 in 2008, in addition to construction in Greensburg, Kansas. For more information, visit [www.wichitahabitat.org](http://www.wichitahabitat.org).

**About Pratt/Kiowa County Habitat Chapter**

The Pratt/Kiowa County Habitat Chapter is an extension of Wichita Habitat for Humanity, Inc., formed to assist tornado-impacted families in Greensburg, Kansas. The chapter is led by an advisory board and committees, working through WHFH. Persons interested in involvement should contact Wichita Habitat for Humanity, Inc.

**About Koch Nitrogen Company**

Koch Nitrogen Company and its affiliates produce, distribute and globally market nitrogen fertilizers, including anhydrous ammonia, urea, nitric acid, UAN solutions, ammonium nitrate solution, ammonium polyphosphate and ammonium thiosulfate. The companies' fertilizer interests have the capability of producing about 8 million metric tons of nitrogen products annually. Koch Nitrogen is an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Koch Industries, Inc. The Koch Nitrogen plant in Dodge City employs about 40 people.

**About Koch Industries, Inc.**

Based In Wichita, Kan., privately held Koch Industries, Inc. owns a diverse group of companies involved in refining and chemicals; process and pollution control equipment and technologies; minerals; fertilizers; fibers and polymers; commodity and financial trading and services; and forest and consumer products. Koch companies have a presence in nearly 60 countries and employ about 80,000 people. With more than \$110 billion in revenues, Koch Industries is the largest private company in America according to Forbes magazine.

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