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Goins Appointed General Manager - Supply Chain and Regulatory Affairs

Houston, Texas – (May 19, 2008) – Mike Goins has been appointed General Manager - Supply Chain and Regulatory Affairs at Total Petrochemicals USA, Inc., according to President and CEO Bernard Claude.

Goins joined the company in 1984 and has held positions in at the Big Spring Refinery, the La Porte Research and Technology Center, and the Bayport Polyethylene Plant in addition to an assignment in Brussels, Belgium. He was named product manager of the company's Polyethylene business unit in 1998, and then product manager of the Styrenics business unit in 2006, his most recent appointment.

Goins earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Texas at Austin and a Masters of Business Administration from the University of Houston. He and his wife, Tracy, have two children and live in Houston.

Total Petrochemicals USA, Inc., which employs more than 1,600 people in the U.S., is headquartered in Houston and produces polypropylene, polyethylene, polystyrene, styrene, base chemicals and transportation fuels. The company has manufacturing facilities in Texas and Louisiana as well as a research and development facility in La Porte and a refinery in Port Arthur.

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