

Superior Refinery Community Update

May 2021

Superior Rebuild Project: Building a Superior Future

The start of 2021 was an exciting new chapter for the Superior Refinery, positioning it as an anchor business and choice employer in Superior for years to come.

On January 1, the refinery's parent company, Husky Energy, combined with Cenovus Energy. The Superior Refinery and its sister refinery in Lima, OH, along with several joint venture refineries in the U.S. will be key assets in Cenovus's downstream, or better known as refining operations.

The closing of the transaction created a more resilient integrated energy company. Cenovus President & Chief Executive Officer Alex Pourbaix says the combined company is "exceptionally well-positioned to succeed in virtually any commodity price environment and continue to be an energy leader in the years ahead."

Cenovus remains committed to world-class safety performance and environmental, social and governance (ESG) leadership. This includes an ongoing commitment to transparent performance reporting, an ambition to achieve net zero emissions by 2050 and a plan to set ambitious new ESG targets for the combined company later in 2021.



Superior Refinery was the proud title sponsor of the 2021 Lake Superior Ice Festival.

The combination of Husky and Cenovus forms a more resilient integrated company.

The ESG focus areas considered most significant for the company and its stakeholders are: climate & greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, water stewardship, biodiversity, Indigenous reconciliation and inclusion & diversity.

These initiatives will help position the Superior Refinery as a top-tier sustainability partner and major partner for the City of Superior.

At the end of January, Cenovus reaffirmed its commitment to the rebuild of the Superior Refinery. The nearly \$1 billion Superior Rebuild Project spends locally on services and contractors, whenever possible.

Accomplishments in 2020 included completion of most of the foundation work and positioning of columns, towers, buildings, and the laydown of thousands of tons of steel to prepare for the next stages of work. The support by the city's police, fire, and public works departments were instrumental in the safe movement of these pieces and units, which ultimately prepared us for the work to be done this year.

Cenovus has set a target of early 2023 for a full restart of operations. ■

REMINDER



We test our Emergency Response System on the **third Tuesday of every month at 10:00 a.m.**

MESSAGE FROM General Manager Kollin Schade

Hello from the busiest place in Superior. With up to eight large cranes and more than 750 people on site every day, we are at the center of a lot of activity. Our parking lots are packed to the brim with cars and trucks. We are busy!

This summer will be the busiest construction period in the history of the refinery with north of 900 people on site at its peak. That's a lot of people consuming



Kollin Schade, General Manager, Superior Refinery.

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a lot of...well everything. Fortunately, a lot of the new apartment buildings in town are the temporary homes to many of the folks helping build our new refinery. They're also spending money in local stores, restaurants, bars, and on other services.

We also expect to be hiring a whole crop of new permanent employees in 2021 as many of our long-term workers have retired over the last couple of years. We have new computerized models and training manuals to help the training process and enhance comprehension. Learning where all those pipes lead is like eating an elephant, you follow one pipe per day and soon you know them all.

Understanding the refinery leads to better safety performance. We're engineering improved safety measures into all areas of the refinery....both new and old.

Millions of dollars are being invested to upgrade our process safety elements. Our goal is to be the very best at all safety aspects.

Our new owner, Genovus Energy, has committed the resources to build that solid process safety foundation. The daily transformation, both physically and with respect to operational integrity are highlighted every day. I am honored to be part of an amazing family that we have working out here. With all the challenges we're facing daily, it's hard some days to take a couple of minutes to look at the amazing coordination and effort exuded out here daily. It's sure a humbling experience and I look forward to showing it off when we're complete.

Drive by from time to time and take a look! Stay well and stay safe. ■

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kollin Schade".

Kollin Schade
General Manager
Superior Refinery

WE'RE HIRING!

Hiring Entry Level Laborer positions at our refinery and terminals and other positions!



All refinery Positions posted on jobs.huskyenergy.com
Deadline for entry level jobs is May 30.





Our new vacuum tower arrived via barge. The 125 foot tall piece was installed on the refinery grounds in late January, an important element in crude processing.

Refinery takes shape thanks to heavy lift projects

Perhaps you've noticed a change to the skyline around the refinery. Heavy lift projects which began at the end of January have placed several columns and towers into position including the refinery's new vacuum tower. These pieces are key to our refining operations.

These pieces have stories of their own. The vacuum tower, which measures 125 feet long by 36 feet wide, started its journey in Mississippi, traveling by barge up the Mississippi and Illinois River systems onto Lake Michigan and eventually across Lake Superior to Fraser Shipyards. It was then transported through Superior to the refinery. Its entire voyage was photographed many times by curious onlookers throughout its journey across the lakes.

The tower was lifted into position on January 28, followed by the other lifts, including the very noticeable deisobutanizer column which reaches 200 feet in height.

"The safe installation of these towers and columns was the result of thousands of hours of planning and

preparation," said Andrew Laszewski, lead Commissioning and Start-Up Engineer.

If you visit our social media pages, we'll be sharing video and pictures of milestones and events throughout the year as our new refinery comes to life. ■

“Our goal is to make Cenovus a top-tier safety performer, and to achieve this, we'll prioritize safety above everything else -you can count on this.”

-Andrew Dahlin, EVP. Safety & Operations Technical Services



The busiest place in Superior! Hundreds of contractors are on site every day supporting our Rebuild project. Whenever possible, we hire local services and contractors as part of our commitment to Superior.

Smart, impactful community spending

Making a difference to our neighbors remains a top priority for the Superior Refinery through smart, impactful investments.



Our donation to the Superior Fire Department allowed them to purchase new ice rescue suits.

In 2020, we contributed more than \$300,000 in employee and corporate donations to support programs, charities, and initiatives right here in Superior.

Our employees volunteered hours with many great causes including Webster Park, the Douglas County Humane Society and at the new Ronald McDonald House on the Essentia Campus. We also donated \$7,500 to help the City of Superior's Public Works, Fire and Police departments with the purchase of winter supplies and equipment. The fire department's new rescue suits proved useful in March with a cold-water rescue.

We donated more than \$100,000 to the Head of the Lakes United Way supporting programs in Superior and Douglas County. We also donated to the Northwest Wisconsin COVID-19 relief fund, the city's shelters including CASDA, Harbor House, The Ruth House, and Solid Rock.

To wind up last year, our Local 420 Union delivered food baskets to those in need during Thanksgiving and at Christmas, our employees again answered the needs of the community, raising more than \$3,500 for Toys for Tots and The Salvation Army. We also purchased Christmas Eve and Christmas meals for our local shelters.

Kicking off 2021, we were the proud title sponsor of the Lake Superior Ice Festival, providing an enjoyable weekend to everyone needing to get back in a routine of outdoor activities and fun, all while feeling the warmth of winter. This year a corporate spending program will help the Superior Fire Department take delivery of a new industrial firefighting truck, and our commitment to Webster Dream Park continues with the support of a new sensory garden.

After having much fun at Barker's Island during the Ice Festival, we're coming back this summer, presenting this year's July 4 festivities. The fun doesn't stop there as we're proud to be one of the sponsors of this year's Bayside Sounds Concert Series. It's going to be a fun summer and we look forward to celebrating it with you.

In the coming months, expect more from the refinery, our employees, and Cenovus. We remain committed to making smart, impactful community investments which will help Superior live up to its name. ■

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Forward-looking Statements and Information

Certain statements in this document are forward-looking statements and information (collectively "forward-looking statements"), within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities legislation, Section 21E of the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 27A of the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The forward-looking statements are forward-looking and not historical facts.

In particular, forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, references to: general strategic plans and growth strategies; the expected timing of the commencement of rebuild activities and the resumption of operations at the Superior Refinery; enhancements to be made to the refinery and the benefits to be received as a result thereof; the expected number of jobs to be created during peak construction; the intended use of local contractors and services during the rebuild; the slate of products expected to be produced at the refinery; and the use of industry-leading safety systems and protocols and the expected results thereof.

Although Husky Energy Inc. (the "Company") believes that the expectations reflected by the forward-looking statements are reasonable, they have been based on assumptions and factors concerning future events that may prove to be inaccurate. Those assumptions and factors are based on information currently available to the Company about itself and the businesses in which it operates. Information used in developing forward-looking statements has been acquired from various sources, including third-party consultants, suppliers and regulators, among others.

Because actual results or outcomes could differ materially from those expressed in any forward-looking statement, investors should not place undue reliance on any such forward-looking statement. By their nature, forward-looking statements involve numerous assumptions, inherent risks and uncertainties, both general and specific, which contribute to the possibility that the predicted outcomes will not occur. Some of these risks, uncertainties and other factors are similar to those faced by other oil and gas companies and some are unique to the Company.

The Company's Annual Information Form for the year ended December 31, 2020 and other documents filed with securities regulatory authorities [accessible through the SEDAR website (www.sedar.com) and the EDGAR website (www.sec.gov)] describe risks, material assumptions and other factors that could influence actual results and are incorporated herein by reference.

New factors emerge from time to time and it is not possible for management to predict all of such factors and to assess in advance the impact of each such factor on the Company's business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement. The impact of any one factor on a particular forward-looking statement is not determinable with certainty as such factors are dependent upon other factors, and the Company's course of action would depend upon management's assessment of the future considering all information available to it at the relevant time. Any forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date on which such statement is made and, except as required by applicable securities laws, the Company undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which such statement is made or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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