

The National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited

Media Release

NGC wins AMCHAM HSE Evolution Award

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The commitment of The National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited (NGC) to strengthen the Health, Safety and Environmental (HSE) standards and performance of its operations has been recognised by The American Chamber of Commerce of Trinidad and Tobago (AMCHAM). NGC took home top honours in the HSE Evolution category at AMCHAM's 14th Annual National Excellence in HSE Awards, held on November 11th at the Hyatt Regency hotel, Port of Spain. The award category recognised changes made to fundamentally enhance the HSE system performance of the organisation in a transformational manner.

NGC adopted the risk-based process safety programme developed by the Centre for Chemical Process Safety (CCPS), a global non-profit organisation dedicated to the advancement of process safety knowledge and culture within and across organisations. NGC conducted an internal gap analysis in 2020 based on CCPS process safety elements, and took progressive steps towards closing the gaps identified. Among these were:

- Barrier Health inspections to verify the state of controls for high-risk activities
- Safely managing change in critical operations
- Mass notification in emergency response management
- Initial Incident Notifications (IINs) portal to improve real time incident reporting
- Improving asset integrity
- Use of satellites for methane leak detection and to complement Right of Way management
- Consistent process auditing.
- Increased cybersecurity training
- Fleet safety interventions and driver training
- Use of the Process Safety Knowledge Management (PSKM) vault

Between 2020 and 2023, the company saw sustained improvement in its HSE performance, with zero accidents, days lost, and lost time injuries for both contractors and employees in 2022 and 2023. Asset integrity management was also strengthened, with audits of the company's systems and equipment showing appreciable improvement over results in previous years.

Reflecting on the achievement, NGC's Acting President Edmund Subryan noted: "Given the nature and geographical spread of our business, HSE is of paramount importance to our company. Our journey to world-class performance in HSE began several years ago, and while we are still refining and improving in that regard, we have made significant strides forward. We

congratulate all the teams whose hard work contributed to our attainment of this distinguished award. We also reaffirm our commitment to not only reach for better, but share our learnings with other energy companies and state enterprises, so we can collectively build a safer industrial sector for Trinidad and Tobago."



Photo (L to R) – Adrian Barran, Head, Crisis Management and Emergency Response receives AMCHAM's HSE Evolution Award from Nirad Tewarie, CEO, AMCHAM.

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