FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Date: July 20, 2005

NACE NEW ORLEANS SECTION TO HOST CENTRAL AREA CORROSION CONFERENCE, OCT. 9-12
Annual Event to Feature Three Days of Technical Sessions, Exhibits, and NACE Courses

Houston, TX – NACE International, Leaders in Corrosion Control Technology, New Orleans Section, will host the NACE Central Area Corrosion Conference, October 9-12, 2005, in Kenner, Louisiana. This annual event will begin with an evening reception Sunday, October 9 at 6 p.m. with technical sessions commencing at 8 a.m. Monday, and continuing through Noon on Wednesday, October 12, at the New Orleans Airport Hilton Hotel, 901 Airline Drive.

The Conference will offer technical sessions presented by experts in the field of materials, inspection, chemicals, and corrosion. Session topics include:

• Corrosion Inspection & Nondestructive Testing
• Infrastructure Corrosion
• Cathodic Protection
• Internal Corrosion Monitoring
• Metallurgy and Nonmetallics in the Oilfield
• Pipeline Protection Applications
• Protective Coatings and Linings
• Refining and Chemical Process Industry Corrosion
• Pipeline Protection Assessments
• Maintenance Coatings
• Deepwater Flow Assurance - Subsea & Waterflood Issues
• Pipeline Integrity
• NonMetallics Materials of Construction (NACE STG 10 Committee)
• Corrosion & Erosion Prediction & Modeling in the Petroleum Industry
• Pipeline Regulatory Issues
• Chemical Treatment Applications & Experiences

To complement the conference, a vendor exhibit featuring new technologies within the corrosion industry will be held Monday and Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Wednesday from 9 a.m. to Noon. A vendor reception will be held Monday from 6-8 p.m. Vendor Exhibits will be free and open to students and the public on Wednesday.

In addition to the Conference, a series of NACE International education courses that may be applied toward Certification will be offered and taught by NACE-certified instructors who are leaders in their industries. These courses include:

• Basic Corrosion
• Designing for Corrosion Control
• Protective Coatings and Linings I
• Internal Corrosion for Pipelines
• Marine Coatings Inspection
• Corrosion Control in the Refining Industry
Course duration varies from 3 to 5 days, and all classes begin Monday, October 10 at 8 a.m. Registration for education courses may be made by calling 1-800/797-6223 (NACE) in the U.S. and Canada, and +1 281/228-6223 Worldwide, or by visiting http://www.nace.org/nace/content/sarwebsites/centralarea/conference/courses.asp.

Also included in the program will be a two-day Oilfield Chemical Operators Course covering treatment, justification, selection, testing, application, surveillance, and optimization of Production Process and Flow Assurance Chemicals. This course will be held Monday, October 10, as part of the corrosion conference.

For more information about the NACE New Orleans Central Area Corrosion Conference, visit http://www.nace.org/nace/content/sarwebsites/centralarea/conference/centralareaconference.asp.

For further program information on New Orleans NACE Section events, visit www.nace.org/sections/NewOrleans.

Persons interested in making technical presentations may contact Charlie Speed, Technical Program Chair at +1 504/728-7779 or +1 504/400-7878 or by email at e.speed@shell.com.

NACE International is a professional association dedicated to promoting public safety, protecting the environment, and reducing the economic impact of corrosion. Established in 1943, NACE International has more than 15,000 members worldwide and offers technical training and certification programs, sponsors conferences and produces industry standards, reports, publications, and software.

###