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### **Turning Plastic into Pavement at Chevron Phillips Chemical**

WASHINGTON, D.C.—[Chevron Phillips Chemical](#) (CPChem), the [Plastics Industry Association](#) (PLASTICS), and the [National Center for Asphalt Technology](#) (NCAT) have collaborated on a project in which approximately 191,000 recycled plastic bags were used to pave a 67,000 square foot lot at CPChem’s facility in Port Arthur, Texas. The asphalt used was created through a process that blends recycled polyethylene (rPE) into a durable paving product.

*“CPChem is a valued member of our association and a company dedicated to sustainability,”* said **Patrick Krieger, Vice President of Sustainability for PLASTICS**. *“This important project is just one facet of everything CPChem is doing to bring about a circular economy. We’re proud to have them be involved.”*

*“Participating in this project was an easy choice for CPChem, as it aligns closely with the company’s efforts to enable a circular economy for plastics,”* said **Benny Mermans, Vice President of Sustainability at Chevron Phillips Chemical**. *“The shared success of this collaboration demonstrates that by working together, we can accelerate change for a sustainable future.”*

The paving installation was done in conjunction with PLASTICS’ [New End Market Opportunities](#) (NEMO) program, which seeks to develop new areas in which post-consumer and post-industrial recycled content can be put to use.

*“This CPChem project is a perfect example of demonstrating their commitment through action,”* said **Krieger**. *“People need to know that our industry is serious about preventing plastic waste and that we are always researching and developing new ways of doing it.”*

To learn more about the NEMO Plastic to Asphalt project and other sustainability efforts from PLASTICS, visit: [www.plasticsindustry.org/supply-chain/recycling-sustainability/new-end-market-opportunities-nemo](http://www.plasticsindustry.org/supply-chain/recycling-sustainability/new-end-market-opportunities-nemo)

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## **About Plastics Industry Association**

The Plastics Industry Association (PLASTICS) is the only organization that supports the entire plastics supply chain, representing nearly one million workers in the \$395 billion U.S. industry. Since 1937, PLASTICS has been working to make its members and the industry more globally competitive while advancing recycling and sustainability. To learn more about PLASTICS' education initiatives, industry-leading insights and events, networking opportunities and policy advocacy and the largest plastics trade show in the Americas, [NPE: The Plastics Show](#), visit [plasticsindustry.org](http://plasticsindustry.org).