MEDIA ALERT
DATE: May 26, 2009
CONTACT: Cassandra Hinojosa, 361.825.2337; Steve Paschal, 361.825.2336

******************** MEDIA/PHOTO OPPORTUNITY *******************

WHO: CITGO Petroleum Corporation and University Officials
WHAT: Announcement of $150,000 Commitment to Mechanical Engineering
WHEN: Thursday, May 28, at 10:30 a.m.
WHERE: University Center, Legacy Hall

Texas A&M-Corpus Christi Mechanical Engineering
Gets Boost from CITGO Petroleum $150,000 Grant

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas – CITGO Petroleum Corporation will announce their commitment of $150,000 to support the new mechanical engineering degree program at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.

CITGO Petroleum officials will be on campus Thursday, May 28, at 10:30 a.m. to announce their support for the mechanical engineering program, which begins this fall. With this donation, the Corpus Christi community has met the challenge goal of $3 million requested by legislative leaders for the mechanical engineering program.

CITGO Petroleum Corporation, a Delaware corporation with headquarters in Houston, Texas, refines, markets and transports gasoline, diesel fuel, jet fuel, lubricants, refined waxes, petrochemicals, and other petroleum-based industrial products. The company has 4,000 employees and operates three highly complex crude oil refineries in Lake Charles, La., Lemont, Ill, and Corpus Christi, Texas.

CITGO Petroleum is among several area businesses, organizations and individuals that have stepped forward in recent months to support the new mechanical engineering program at the University.

-A&M-CC-