

## **Petrotrin Celebrates World Environment Day**

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World Environment Day is commemorated each year on June 5<sup>th</sup>. It is one of the principal vehicles through which the United Nations stimulates awareness of the environment and encourages political attention and action. The World Environment Day 2008 theme is "Climate Change" and the slogan selected by UNEP is "CO-Kick the Habit! Towards a Low Carbon Economy."

In a message to all Petrotrin employees, Executive Chairman Malcolm Jones pointed out that the issue of Climate Change is one of the most urgent that the international community is addressing.

He said: "Petrotrin has been a pioneer in addressing Climate Change issues, both in mitigation measures and adaptation to sea level rise in Trinidad & Tobago. Environmental Impact professionals at Petrotrin are currently working on projects that integrate the effects of climate change across Petrotrin operational areas to get a more realistic picture of what climate change will mean for our stakeholders."

Mr. Jones said that as a signatory of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) at the Rio Conference, the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and by extension Petrotrin, the national energy company, is committed to address all obligations and to prepare to face the changing climate of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. He said that Petrotrin aims to support the scientific investigation of climate change so that we can increase our understanding of what is to come. He also pointed out that Petrotrin is committed to reducing and monitoring our greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and to collaborate with external agencies in addressing climate change.

He concluded: "We are committed to lead by example in recognising and taking advantage of the opportunities associated with a proactive response to the global climate change issue."