

(Washington, D.C.) -- U.S. Congressman Jason Altmire (PA-04) today issued the following statement on his visit to the LyondellBassell refinery in Houston, TX. Shortly after the Congressman's visit, a large crane collapsed. It is currently estimated that four people died in this accident and several others were injured.

"I am truly saddened by today's events at the LyondellBassell refinery. I visited the facility earlier this morning, hours before this tragic event, in an effort to learn more about the refinery process as I continue to look for ways to address America's energy crisis. My thoughts and prayers are with the victims and their families."