

SHELL STARTS PRODUCTION AT NEW PETROCHEMICALS UNIT IN US GULF COAST

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Shell successfully commissions fourth alpha olefins unit at its Geismar chemicals manufacturing site in Louisiana. Geismar is now the world's largest producer of alpha olefins.

Shell Chemical LP (Shell) today announced the start of production of the fourth alpha olefins (AO) unit at its Geismar, Louisiana, USA chemical manufacturing site. The 425,000-tonne-per-year capacity expansion brings total AO production at Geismar to more than 1.3 million tonnes per annum. Start-up operations began in December 2018.

The new unit utilises Shell's advantaged technology, known as the Shell Higher Olefins Process (SHOP) technology.

"Our team delivered this world-class expansion project safely, on time and within budget," said Graham van't Hoff, Executive Vice President for Shell's global chemicals business. "This is a key growth project for Shell's global chemicals business. Geismar will continue to play a leading role in providing the materials for products that an increasing number of people need and enjoy."

Geismar produces alpha olefins, alcohols, ethoxylates, ethylene oxide and ethylene glycols and is supported with advantaged ethylene feedstock from Shell's nearby Norco, Louisiana and Deer Park, Texas manufacturing sites.

Existing customers can order products from our Geismar chemicals manufacturing site using the **Shell Chemicals Customer Portal**. New customers can request access to the Shell Chemicals Customer Portal by sending an **email to our customer relations team** or by calling 1-855-697-4355



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