# **News Release**



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## Celanese Announces Capacity Expansions for Acetic Acid and VAM in North America

DALLAS (November 11, 2015) – Celanese Corporation (NYSE: CE), a global technology and specialty materials company, today announced it will expand acetic acid and vinyl acetate monomer (VAM) capacity in North America.

Celanese will implement a series of low capital debottlenecks in its Clear Lake, Texas, acetic acid facility and expects up to 150kt more product. The current nameplate capacity of the facility is 1,350kt per annum. The debottlenecks will happen in stages over the next several years with the expectation that total U.S. output will have a nameplate capacity of more than 1,500kt per annum by 2016.

Celanese has also begun work on a 150kt expansion of its Clear Lake, Texas, VAM facility raising plant capacity to 750kt – making it the largest and most efficient VAM plant in the world. The expansion will be complete in 2018.

"Today's announcement leverages Celanese's leading acetyl technologies and exhibits our continued commitment to innovation and productivity in the Acetyl Chain. To have the ability to add incremental capacity as industry growth dictates, and do it with a nominal capital outlay, is a great tool and the hallmark of our industry leadership position," remarked Pat Quarles, president of Acetyl Chain and Integrated Supply Chain for Celanese.

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