

Imerys acquires BASF's paper hydrous kaolin (PHK) activity

On November 1, 2015, Imerys closed the acquisition of BASF's paper hydrous kaolin (PHK) activity. This deal, which includes a stand-alone production site for milling in Wilkinson County, Georgia (USA), allows Imerys Kaolin business to further improve its service offering for the paper industry through optimization of its production assets located in Brazil (Para), in the United States (Georgia) and in the United Kingdom (Cornwall).

Significant financial and human resources, R&D, innovation, commercial, etc. have been invested into this transaction which demonstrates once more commitment to the global paper industry to be a long term, sustainable solution and ensure security of supply for its customers.

About Imerys Kaolin

Imerys Kaolin is the world's leading producer of performance kaolins operating mines and processing plants in United States. With over a hundred years' experience in the minerals business, Imerys Kaolin offers engineered solutions, which enhance performance in paper, paints, plastics, cosmetics, rubber, adhesives and sealants, and building products.

About Imerys Group

The world leader in mineral-based specialty solutions for industry, with €4 billion revenue in 2015 and 16,000 employees, Imerys delivers high value-added, functional solutions to a great number of sectors, from processing industries to consumer goods and building products. The Group draws on its knowledge of applications, scientific expertise and technological know-how to beneficiate its mineral resources, develop formulations and produce synthetic minerals. These contribute essential properties to customers' products and performance, including refractoriness, hardness, conductivity, opacity, durability, purity, lightness, filtration, absorption and repellency. Imerys is determined to develop responsibly, in particular by fostering the emergence of environmentally-friendly products and processes.

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