

Kemira acquires Akzo Nobel's iron coagulant business in the Nordic countries

Kemira and Akzo Nobel have reached an agreement whereby Kemira will take over Akzo Nobel's iron coagulant sales and supply in the Nordic countries (Sweden, Norway and Denmark). Iron coagulants are used in water treatment. The transaction represents approximately 20% of the Swedish iron coagulant markets. The parties have agreed not to disclose any financial details about the agreement which will be in force starting from November 2, 2009.

Kemira and Akzo Nobel will ensure an uninterrupted supply to the customers. The supply of iron coagulant products will be done from Kemira's Helsingborg site in Sweden.

"Kemira has a local presence in over 40 countries and a competitive manufacturing network. We are a market leader in coagulants in North America, Europe and Brazil. This acquisition is part of our strategy to enforce our market position. By enforcing our presence in the Nordic countries we can serve our municipal and industrial customers even better", says the head of the Industrial customer segment Hannu Virolainen.

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