

Fact Sheet

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Seneca, South Carolina

Address: 554 Engelhard Drive, Seneca, South Carolina 29678

Start of Production: 1987

Location:

The BASF Seneca facility is located in the Reedy Fork community of Oconee County, two miles south of the City of Seneca.

Site Manager: Will Teasdale

Number of Plants: One

Number of Employees: 360

Product/Uses:

The site is a specialty chemical catalysts manufacturing and precious metal refining facility:

- Specialty chemical catalysts and precious metal salts and solutions that are used by BASF customers to produce a wide variety of products, including herbicides, plastics, pharmaceuticals, auto-emission catalysts, fragrances and fertilizers. Other products include specialty zeolites, desiccants and water-treatment media for the removal of lead, arsenic, and other impurities from drinking water.
- The Seneca plant has expertise in the manufacturing of precious metal catalysts and the recovery of these metals from spent catalysts. We work with customers to supply fresh catalyst, as well as refine spent ones in a full-loop service – primarily from the auto catalyst market.
- In addition, the refinery receives a variety of precious metal-containing scrap, wire, alloys, filters, concentrates, etc., from other markets.
- The refinery prepares the spent material or scrap and samples, analyzes and refines them to a pure form. This pure metal is used for the re-manufacture of BASF products or sold to the outside market.

Community Relations:

- Clemson Chamber of Commerce member;
- South Carolina Chamber of Commerce member;
- Partner in Education with Seneca and Walhalla High Schools: Annual Science Award to Seneca Junior and Senior High Schools ;
- Oconee County Industrial Group member;
- Member of local Emergency Planning Committee;

Economic Impact:

- Annual payroll of approx. \$31.2 million*
- Payment of approx. \$1.1 million in local and state taxes*
- Capital investment of approx. \$15.2 million in new plant equipment*

*Year-end 2015 data