

Plant Overview



Products and markets

The Axis (Mobile), Ala. plant manufactures products based on two primary chemistries: acrylic polymers, and sulfur (thio) chemicals.

Acrylic polymers are additives used to improve the properties (Impact Modifiers) and processing (Process Aids) of a wide variety of plastic items. Impact Modifiers improve the impact resistance of PVC compounds used in pipe, siding, fencing, decking, windows, and trim. Process Aids

improve the productivity, quality and cost of producing these same products in addition to film, sheet, bottles and packaging. Thiochemicals are active ingredients in permanent wave solutions and hair removers. They are also ingredients used to make heat stabilizers for vinyl products and serve as corrosion inhibitors in the oil and gas well drilling industry. In addition to these chemistries, the plant operates and maintains two tin-based chemistry production units for PMC Organometallics.

Community involvement

- **McDavid-Jones Elementary School Partners-in-Education Program** – The Mobile plant has been a participant in the Mobile County School System’s Partners-in-Education program since its inception in 1990. The program was created to form working relationships between individual public schools and local business, government, volunteer and civic leaders. The program is a nationally recognized method of increasing community awareness and input into the local education process. Partners in Education relationships have a common theme of improving the quality of education in Mobile County for every child.
- **LeMoyne Community Advisory Panel (CAP)** participants – Representatives from the plant meet regularly with members of the community and representatives of other companies. We work together help the LeMoyne area grow, develop, and be fully informed of chemical manufacturing in the area. This panel provides a forum for us to know, understand, and respond to any community questions in a proactive manner. The member companies have operated for many years as good neighbors, and stewards of the environment -- and through the Community Advisory Panel -- have worked hard to be transparent about their operations and activities.
- **LeMoyne Industrial Park Annual Community Day** – Typically attended by approximately 1,000 local residents, this annual event provides the opportunity to meet plant workers and management in a comfortable setting and allows member companies to show their appreciation for the strong support of the local community.
- **Science Teacher Program** – The Mobile plant is a participant in Arkema’s annual, innovative, hands-on science program. The program was designed to mentor and help equip local area elementary teachers with new methods of stimulating scientific interest for their students.
- **Mobile Chamber of Commerce** – Partners for Growth Member, Board of Advisors Member, and active supporters of the chamber.

Additional local associations / Events we sponsor

- American Cancer Society annual chili cook-off
- Annual Creola lunch for senior citizens
- Central Gulf Industrial Alliance (CGIA)
- Ella Grant Elementary School – Annual visit from Santa, delivering gifts to Pre-K class
- Junior Achievement – Bowling fundraiser
- LeMoyne Emergency Medical Service

- LeMoyné Industrial Park – Community services and activities
- Life South Blood Drives – Two drives at the plant during 2017
- Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk
- Manufacture Alabama
- Mobile Chamber of Commerce State of the City & County lunch sponsor
- PEP (Partners for Environmental Progress) – A local environmental collaboration between industry and community
- Southwest Alabama Workforce Development Council (SAWDC)
- United Way®

Key Figures for 2017

Number of employees	89
Local economic impact (payroll/utility/property taxes paid annually)	\$13 Million in 2017
Investment in the community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community donations • Over 600 hours of community service
Investment in health, environment and safety	<p>\$1.4 Million investment in 2017</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The plant is equipped with state-of-the-art environmental monitoring and controls, including a wastewater treatment plant that can treat more than one million gallons of water each day. • Responsible Care® Participants – an industry-wide initiative among members of the American Chemistry Council (ACC) to demonstrate continuing commitment to health, safety and the environment.
Safety record	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over nine years with no lost time accidents • Over four years with no recordable injury • OSHA Voluntary Protection Plan (VPP) Star Site. There are approximately 1,600 Star sites in the U.S. out of 6 million work sites. The Axis facility is the first Arkema site to achieve this designation.
Awards / certifications for safety, environmental, and quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ISO 9001:2008 standard by Det Norske Veritas (DNV) • OHSAS 18001 certification • 2014 American Chemistry Council Responsible Care® Facility Safety Award – Certificate of Excellence for the prevention of occupational injuries and illnesses

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