



Matamoros, México

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Plant Overview

Products & Markets



Maquiladora General de Matamoros S.A. de C.V. (MGM for short) manufactures three different families of products: Plexiglas® acrylic sheets, using the cell cast process, Aerospace products and plastic modifiers by bulk process. The acrylic sheets are produced in various thicknesses from 1/16" to 2" in more than 40 colors and in three Standard sizes: 4' x 8', 5' x 8' and 6' x 8' (plus custom sizes).

Plexiglas® products' main characteristics are: moderate solvent and impact resistance in addition to color consistency, exceptional optics, brightness, thermoforming capabilities, machineability, weather resistance and UV filtering properties.

Our acrylic sheets are mainly used in five different markets: sign industry, glass substitution, point of purchase, sanitary and aerospace applications. There are many more applications ranging from furniture to decorative items.

Plexiglas® SB and Plexiglas® SBAR (security barrier abrasion resistance) acrylic sheet are used where high impact glazing is required, Plexiglas® UVT acrylic sheet is used primarily for tanning beds.

The main use for plastic modifiers is for pool flooring, sanitary applications and granite appearance sheeting.



Community Involvement

- **COSSECCIM** (per its Spanish initials Health, Safety and Contingencies Committee for the Matamoros Industrial Park) – The plant has been the leader in the local industrial park in the development of a local emergency plan.
- **Civic and Business Associations** – Active membership in community organizations (AMMAC: HES, Human Resources, Finance, Legal, Plant Managers meetings and COMECI: Safety, Environmental in the Industrial Park).
- **Teachers and School Administrators** - MGM has received several visits from the community Professional School. The objective is to demonstrate how a real chemical company works and share our knowledge with students and teachers.
- **Charitable Contributions** - MGM contributions to the Union were used to build a park for all employees to enjoy with their families.

- **Bi-national Drill participation** – Active participation of Arkema Matamoros brigades on preparedness and execution of USA and Mexico emergency drills.
- **AMMAC** – Active participation in Energy Committee Counsel, focused on developing best practices for Matamoros Zone to reduce footprint and adequate use of energy.

Local Associations / Events We Sponsor:

- AMMAC (Per its initials in Spanish Matamoros Maquiladoras Association)
- COMECI (Industrial Park Improvements Committee)

Key Figures for 2015

The Arkema Matamoros facility is committed to the community, to its employees, its customers and its process.

Our mission is to be a profitable integral part of Arkema and to become the preferred supplier of cell cast sheets in North America. We are combining our efforts to work as a team with other Arkema International cell cast facilities in Europe to better serve customer needs around the world. We believe in the growth of the business based on innovation and in the development of new products. We strive to be a model company, respected for its ethics, its support to the community and for having talented and highly dedicated employees.



# of Employees	136
Local Economic Impact (Utility/Property Taxes Paid Annually)	More than \$3 Million USD annually
Investment in the Community	<p>\$ 15,000 USD investment in 2015</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The plant is committed to the community and works with the local university to cultivate future engineers' high working standards by providing real industrial experience. • Sponsors local schools, firefighting department and assists during national natural disasters. • Sponsored part of the Union Labor recreational center. • Provides scholarships to employees to improve their professional skills.
Investment in Health, Environment and Safety	<p>\$370,000 USD in approved capital investments in 2015 for health, safety, and environmental projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self management system audit conducted by Secretariat Labor. The outcome of the audit was the recommendation to receive a Self Management Certificate Level III. • Safety Integrated system model implemented to create an integrated safety culture. This model includes behavior based safety observations, safe work assessment tools and computer based training along with pre-start meetings and safety plans by department. • Participation on the Matamoros Industrial Park Council as Emergency, Risk and Health coordinator. • Clean Industry Certification process in progress

Safety Record	More than 18 years since an on-the-job injury resulted in lost work time.
Rewards/Certifications for Safety, Environmental, and Quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obtained recertification of the ISO 9001:2008. • Self Management Certificate Level III.

About Arkema

A designer of materials and innovative solutions, Arkema shapes materials and creates new uses that accelerate customer performance. Our business portfolio spans high-performance materials, industrial specialties and coating solutions. Our globally recognized brands are ranked among the leaders in the markets we serve. Reporting annual sales of €7.5 billion in 2014, we employ approximately 19,200 people worldwide and operate in close to 50 countries. We are committed to active engagement with all our stakeholders. Our research centers in North America, France and Asia concentrate on advances in lightweight materials, renewable feedstocks, energy generation and storage, water treatment, electronics and 3D printing. For the latest, visit www.arkema.com.

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