

The Chester, SC plant produces water-based rheology additives, polyacrylates, acrylic emulsions and polyurethanes serving a wide variety of applications, such as Water-borne Paints & Coatings, Adhesives & Sealants, Paper Coatings, Minerals Processing, Construction, Homecare and Water Treatment. Our product brands include Rheotech™ acrylic thickeners for coatings, Coapur™ polyurethane thickeners for coatings, Coadis™ specialty dispersing agents, Ethacryl™ superplasticizers for concrete admixtures, Rheocarb™ specialty rheology modifiers for paper coating.



Community involvement

- **Chester Thanksgiving Project** - Each year, Coatex assists 400 local needy families by contributing food for their Thanksgiving dinner.
- **Toys for Tots** - we collect new toys for the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program.
- Sponsored and provided refreshments for the **Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)**
- Participate monthly with the **Chester County Chamber Human Resources Round Table** meetings with other local manufacturing plants.
- Employees participate in the **Junior Achievement Program** partnered with the Chester County School District. In 2018, employees taught fourth grade classes.
- Sponsors local **Youth Co-Ed Soccer Team and Chester County Traveling Softball** team to promote youth sporting activities in Chester County.
- Actively participate in the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) **Adopt-a-Highway program** by keeping two miles of roadway close to the Chester facility free of litter four times a year.
- **Food pantry:** collection of goods to donate to the local food bank
- A member of the **Chester County Chamber of Commerce** and support various local non-profit organizations that help the surrounding communities.
- **Hazardous waste operations emergency response (HAZWOPWER)** trained employees
- **Confined space rescue** trained employees
- Personnel trained in **First Aid, CPR & AED (Automated External Defibrillation)**
- Member of **CHEMTREC (Chemical Transportation Emergency Center)**
- 100% of employees are trained and actively participate in the **Behavior Based Safety Program.**
- Participate in the **Arkema Science Teacher's Program**

Investment in health, environment and safety

- Safety remains our utmost priority. The facility is also committed to complying with all regulations and standards related to environmental protection and pollution prevention. In 2011, we initiated a new NG product line to replace 60% of our products with greener options. To accomplish this, we added a thermal oxidizer to destroy 99.99% of harmful emissions. The new process uses a new patented molecule to replace VOC used in previous manufacturing process. The facility is highly automated for safety. All finished products we produce are water based non-hazardous.

About Coatex

Coatex is a designer and world producer of rheological additives. These high performance and environment-friendly additives are used in a wide variety of applications, such as painting, paper, mineral processing, detergency, concrete, plaster, ceramic and water treatment.

For more information, please visit www.coatex.com.

Coatex is a subsidiary of Arkema, a French chemical company present in close to 50 countries.

\$13.7 million in local impact
(includes payroll/utility/property taxes)

\$470,000 in approved capital investments in 2018 for health, environment and safety projects.

52 employees

2 years without a recordable injury.

Certifications

ISO 9001, ISO 14001, OHSAS 18001

