

NEXTCHEM (MAIRE) AWARDED LICENSING AND PROCESS DESIGN PACKAGE BASED ON ITS ULTRA-LOW ENERGY PROPRIETARY TECHNOLOGY FOR EL DELTA UREA PLANT EXPANSION IN EGYPT

- Stamicarbon will provide its proprietary Ultra-Low Energy Design that substantially lowers operating expenses (OPEX) and reduces energy consumption for the production of urea
- The contract also includes the licensing and design of a new urea granulation unit based on Stamicarbon latest urea fluid-bed granulation technology

Milan, 18 September 2024 – MAIRE (MAIRE.MI) announces that **NEXTCHEM** (Sustainable Technology Solutions), through its subsidiary **Stamicarbon**, the nitrogen technology licensor, has been awarded the licensing and the Process Design Package (PDP) for the upgrade and expansion of **El Delta Company for Fertilizer and Chemical Industries** urea plant in Talkha, **Egypt**.

Stamicarbon will provide the license and the PDP to increase the urea plant's production capacity from 1,725 metric tons per day (MTPD) to 2,250 MTPD by applying its proprietary **Ultra-Low Energy Design**. This technology, part of the proprietary **NX Stami Urea™**, achieves a 35% reduction in steam consumption and a 16% decrease in cooling water use by utilizing high-pressure steam three times instead of twice, resulting in significant energy savings compared to conventional CO₂ stripping.

The contract also includes the license and design of a new urea granulation unit with a capacity of 2,250 MTPD. Stamicarbon will apply its latest urea fluid-bed granulation technology that ensures the production of high-quality urea that meets the strictest industry standards.

Alessandro Bernini, **CEO of MAIRE**, commented: "We are proud to help support the growing demand for fertilizers in **Egypt** with our solutions. This award further consolidates our global market leadership in the licensing of urea technology and demonstrates the reliability of our value proposition in this segment."

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