

NEXTCHEM (MAIRE) AWARDED LICENSING, PROCESS DESIGN PACKAGE AND CATALYST SUPPLY BASED ON CONSER'S PROPRIETARY MALEIC ANHYDRIDE TECHNOLOGY FOR A PLANT IN OMAN

- **NEXTCHEM** strengthens its global leadership in maleic anhydride technology by offering its subsidiary **CONSER**'s comprehensive package, including catalyst
- The maleic anhydride plant, finalized to a future production of biodegradable plastics, will have a capacity of 50,000 tons per year and will be located in Oman

Milan, 19 September 2024 – **MAIRE** (MAIRE.MI) announces that **NEXTCHEM** (Sustainable Technology Solutions), through its subsidiary **CONSER**, its technology licensor for high-value chemical derivatives and biodegradable plastics, has been awarded by **Al Baleed Petrochemical Company (ABP)** the technology licensing, the process design package and catalyst supply for a Maleic Anhydride plant to be located in the Salalah Free Zone, in Oman.

The plant is part of a chemical park that ABP is developing for the value chain of LPG, methanol and ammonia and will have a capacity of 50,000 tons per year of maleic anhydride, an intermediate used for the production of biodegradable plastics.

The scope of work entails licensing and the process design package for **CONSER**'s proprietary maleic anhydride technology, as well as the technical assistance during project execution, up to commissioning and start-up. Additionally, **CONSER** will supply the related catalyst.

This project represents an important step in positioning Oman as a key player in the biodegradable plastics market, leveraging on Salalah Free Zone logistics hub for the petrochemical and natural materials processing sectors.

Alessandro Bernini, CEO of MAIRE, commented: "This award consolidates MAIRE's position as a world leader in maleic anhydride and its derivatives technology, confirming our role as a technological enabler in strategic geographies".

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