Accelerating a Circular Economy with Polyester Renewal Technology

Eastman's depolymerization drives system change



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A materials innovation company

Eastman is a materials innovation company that is:

- A Fortune 500 company with approx. 9.2 billion USD in revenue and more than 100 years of vital innovations
- Dedicated to **enhancing the quality of life** in a material way
- Celebrating the inclusion of its diverse global workforce; 14,000 employees
- Committed to mitigating climate change, mainstreaming circularity and caring for people and society



















A rich history of polyester innovation

Eastman has 70 years experience as a PET producer and 30 years experience in depolymerization



1940's

 Eastman first produces PET during WWII as a nylon substitute



1960s

Eastman expands in Columbia, SC to meet demand for polyester textiles



1979 Eastman produces its first PET for bottles.



2006

Eastman launches next-gen PET ParaStar



2007

Tritan™ copolyester enables BPA-free, dishwasher safe durable products



Now

Kingsport methanolysis

material-to-material recycling

Using molecular recycling technologies, Eastman Renew is launched

Eastman introduces Kodel, a thin-film polyester fiber.







1976

Eastman opens its first methanolysis plant to recycle X-ray film.

2010

Eastman sells PET business to DAK Americas



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Methanolysis – Polyester Renewal Technology (PRT)



Understanding Eastman's polyester renewal technology



Polyester waste - Scenario for 2040



Input: Diverting hard-to-recycle material from landfill



Colored rejects from mechanical recyclers



Post consumer purge from mechanical reclaimers



Green strapping Used strapping that held items to pallets.



PET trays Curbside collected consumer waste.



Textile purge Waste from the textile industry making dyed polyester fiber.



Pre-consumer fiber Waste generated in the textile value chain.



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Output: Molecular recycling enables virgin-quality





Apparel | Appliances | Automotive | Cosmetic Packaging | Electronics | Eyewear | Food & Beverage Packaging | Healthcare Packaging | Hydration | Personal Care Packaging | Serveware & Storage | Textiles Strong customer engagement for Renew materials across broad range of markets and applications























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Building a better circle

Eastman is investing over \$2 billion in three new molecular recycling facilities globally.

<image/>	KINGSPORT, TN	Processing 110K metric tonnes plastic waste annually	Now
	Port Jérôme, NORMANDY FRANCE	Processing 110K metric tonnes annually, Phase 1 & 200K metric tonnes after phase 2	Expected on-line 2026/27
2023-2024	U.S., location TBD	Processing 110K metric tonnes annually	Expected on-line 2026/27

The world's largest molecular recycling facility Kingsport, Tennessee, USA



Status Update - February 2nd 2024:

Commissioning of facility completed

Introduced plastic waste to the facility – achieving a significant milestone

Expect to produce on spec material soon

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25,000 MT of plastic waste has been pre-processed and ready for depolymerization.



When fully ramped, we will process 110 kMT each year.



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Questions?

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