



CEPSA QUIMICA CONTRIBUTES TO THE DECARBONIZATION OF THE NORTH AMERICAN HOMECARE MARKET WITH NEXTLAB LOW CARBON

- NextLab Low Carbon reduces almost 20% the carbon emissions compared to traditional LAB, according to the results of the Life Cycle Analysis carried out by independent experts.
- NextLab Low Carbon helps our customers meet their sustainability goals and show our commitment with the planet, all of that without sacrificing the high performance of the sulphonic acid produced.
- NextLab Low Carbon is nowadays produced exclusively for the North American market and soon expanding to other markets from our different facilities around the globe.

Orlando, February 1st.- CEPSA QUIMICA, a leading company in the production of alkylbenzene, is working closely at the American Cleaning Institute (ACI) with key stakeholders to achieve more sustainable solutions for the Cleaning Industry.

NextLab Low Carbon, is a novel Linear Alkylbenzene (LAB) product developed by Cepsa Química that reduces carbon emissions to the atmosphere by almost 20% compared to traditional LAB.

Specifically, according to the results of the comparative Life Cycle Assessment developed by an independent expert company (Sphera) on a cradle-to-gate basis and validated by a panel of experts, the emissions to the atmosphere of NextLab Low Carbon are almost 20% lower than those produced by traditional LAB.

Cepsa Química is the world's leading LAB manufacturer, the most widely used product in the production of biodegradable detergents, accounting for nearly 18% of global production.

NextLab Low Carbon, manufactured at Cepsa Química's plant in Bécancour (Canada) for the North American market, is part of Cepsa Química's new family of products called NextLab, which is being widely accepted by large companies in the Homecare sector.

NextLab Low Carbon is a great help for detergent producers to achieve their corporate ESG goals by providing detergent manufacturers with the ability to produce a final product with a lower carbon footprint while maintaining the same performance as traditional LAB without requiring specification changes.



PRESS RELEASE

Throughout the convention, Cepsa Química is holding meetings with the main companies in the North American Homecare industry. In these meetings, Cepsa Química explains the specific technical characteristics of NextLab Low Carbon and how it meets the current demands of consumers of these cleaning products thanks to the fact that detergents made with this type of sustainable LAB reduce their impact on the atmosphere without the need for a new formulation, which allows them to increase the sustainability indexes throughout the value chain.

With the commercial launch of NextLab Low Carbon, Cepsa Química continues its commitment to making the Home Care Industry more sustainable and contributing to the decarbonization of the North American market.

About Cepsa

Cepsa is a leading international company committed to sustainable mobility and energy with a solid technical experience after more than 90 years of activity. The company also has a world-leading chemicals business with increasingly sustainable operations.

In 2022, Cepsa presented its new strategic plan for 2030, Positive Motion, which projects its ambition to be a leader in sustainable mobility, biofuels, and green hydrogen in Spain and Portugal, and to become a benchmark in the energy transition.

The company places customers at the heart of its business and will work with them to help them advance their decarbonization goals. ESG criteria inspire everything Cepsa does as it advances toward its Net Positive objective. This decade, it will reduce its Scope 1 and 2 CO₂ emissions by 55% and its carbon intensity index by 15-20%, with the goal of reaching net zero emissions by 2050.

Cepsa Química is a world leader in its sector and is leading the shift towards sustainable chemistry, with a clear commitment to the fight against climate change and the transition to a circular, non-fossil economy.

The company is a world leader in the production of LAB, the main raw material used in biodegradable detergents. It is also number one in the production of cumene, an intermediate product used in the production of o phenol and acetone, which are the main raw materials for the manufacture of engineering plastics and of which it is the world's second largest producer. Cepsa Química currently employs more than 1,000 people and has plants in seven countries around the world (Spain, Germany, Canada, China, Indonesia and Nigeria).

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