

Sateri to Expand Lyocell Production in China

16 March 2021, Shanghai -- Sateri, the world's largest producer of viscose fibre, is planning to expand its Lyocell production in China, with total planned annual capacity of up to 500,000 tonnes by 2025.

The first phase of this expansion kicked off recently with ground breaking works for a new 100,000 tonne facility in Changzhou, Jiangsu province. Another 100,000 tonne facility will be built in Nantong, Jiangsu province later this year. The Changzhou Lyocell facility is expected to commence production in the third quarter of 2022 and will create more than 800 jobs.

Sateri's first foray into China's Lyocell market was in May 2020 when its 20,000 tonne Lyocell production line in Rizhao, Shandong province commenced production. The same site houses a 5,000 tonne Lyocell pilot production line dedicated for the development of Lyocell application technology.

Allen Zhang, President of Sateri, said, "Sateri's continued investment in Lyocell not only responds to the changing needs of the market and the textile industry but also supports China's green development plans. It is also very much a part of Sateri's 2030 Vision commitment to sustainable development where we actively seek to adopt a circular economy model through clean and closed-loop production technology and innovation."

A natural and biodegradable fibre, Sateri's Lyocell is made from wood pulp sourced from certified and sustainable plantations. It is manufactured using closed-loop technology, requiring minimal chemical input during the production process, and utilising an organic solvent that can be almost fully recovered and recycled.

In anticipation of strong demand for Lyocell in the coming years, Tom Liu, Sateri's Vice President and General Manager of Lyocell and Nonwovens Business, said: "Customercentricity is Sateri's promise. The new expansion plans will enable us to extend our domestic and international market reach and provide our customers with high quality and comprehensive fibre products. At the same time, we will invest in technology improvement, application development, and brand collaboration to bolster the industry".

About Sateri

Sateri is the world's largest producer of viscose fibre, a natural and sustainable raw material found in everyday items like textiles, baby wipes and personal hygiene products. Our range of high quality viscose products is independently verified as safe and responsibly produced.

Our five mills in China collectively produce about 1.5 million tonnes of viscose fibre yearly. We also produce textile yarn, spunlace non-woven fabric and Lyocell fibre.

Headquartered in Shanghai, we have a sales, marketing and customer service network covering Asia, Europe and the Americas.

Sateri is committed to the fundamental principles of sustainable development; our business practices are underpinned by strict adherence to our <u>Sustainability Policy</u>, <u>Pulp Sourcing</u> <u>Policy</u> and universally accepted environmental and social standards.

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