



## Media Release

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### **Sasol builds world's first Ethylene Tetramerization Unit in Lake Charles**

Lake Charles, Louisiana (USA) - Sasol today announced plans to construct the world's first commercial ethylene tetramerization unit, capable of producing over 100,000 metric tons per year of combined 1-octene and 1-hexene, at its Louisiana production site in Lake Charles.

This first-of-a-kind unit will be built in Southwest Louisiana and will be located inside Sasol's existing Lake Charles Chemical Complex. The tetramerization unit will expand the facility's workforce by nearly 10%, employing an additional 36 full-time employees and 12 contract employees. The expanded capacity is also expected to add stability to the existing employee base as it will further integrate the products manufactured at the plant site.

Construction will commence in 2011, and the plant will reach beneficial operation in mid-2013. During peak construction periods, up to 500 contract employees with skills in welding, pipefitting, carpentry, electrical and instrumentation, as well as laborers, will be needed.

"We're pleased to be selected to construct and operate this unique tetramerization process. Sasol's willingness to expand operations in Southwest Louisiana is a vote of confidence in our local employees, service providers and our state. We are particularly thankful to Governor Bobby Jindal, our local legislative delegation and Louisiana

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