

Fact Sheet

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 **BASF**
The Chemical Company



Newport, Delaware

Address: 205 South James Street, Newport, Delaware 19804-2490

Start of Production: The facility was purchased from DuPont in 1984. Since then, the company has invested \$250 million dollars on a modernization program at Newport, to enhance existing operations and develop two new state-of-the-art production facilities. In addition, sophisticated effluent and emission control systems were engineered into the new processing lines to enhance the site's environmental performance and an award-winning stormwater collection and treatment system was also added.

Location: The site is located along the Christina River in Newport, Delaware, 3.3 miles from Newcastle Airport and 5.6 miles from the Amtrak Wilmington Train Station.

Site Manager: Rudy Merstetter

Number of Plants: 3

Number of Employees: 180

Product/Uses:

- The site operates a synthesis plant, a finishing plant and a metalized film plant.
- Newport is a global supply point for Quinacridone pigments (QA) and also a global supply point for Diketo Pyrrolo Pyrrol pigments (DPP). Both are a red-shade family of high-performance pigments that are in strong demand, particularly from the automotive industry. They are also used in inks, paints and plastics.
- The site is also home to part of BASF's technical service.
- Newport is ISO 9001 and ISO 14001 registered; third party certified under the American Chemistry Council's Responsible Care[®] Management System; recognized by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) for Environmental Excellence.

Community Relations:

Company personnel communicate often with local officials and train regularly with emergency responders to ensure that they are familiar with site operations and emergency procedures. The site has an active Community Advisory Panel made up of local residents that meets every year and the company participates in at least one public town meeting each year. Plant tours are offered to school groups and local organizations. The company provides financial support to a number of environmental, educational and community service programs and supports organizations for which the employees volunteer.

Economic Impact:

- \$250 million invested in new plant and equipment
- Annual payroll of ~\$20 million*
- Payment of ~ \$325,000 in local taxes*

*Year end 2009 data