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Transparency in climate protection Alzchem Group AG publishes environmental statement

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The Alzchem Group, with sites in Trostberg, Schalchen, Hart and Waldkraiburg, is a global specialty chemicals company whose products are linked to relevant social developments, such as sustainability and climate protection, healthy aging, and also securing the world's food supply in the wake of population growth. For environmental reasons, AlzChem regularly documents, monitors and evaluates the impact of its activities in terms of environmental protection and sustainability and defines goals for improving its environmental performance. The company has drawn up an updated environmental statement for the year 2023, which has been audited according to EMAS aspects by an independent environmental auditor. The updated environmental statement was published on the internet.

In this way, the company creates transparency regarding its own CO2 footprint. In particular, the reduction of energy consumption, the avoidance or recycling of waste, and the independent reprocessing of process water in the central wastewater treatment plant at the Trostberg site play a central role. Last year, expenditure on environmental protection amounted to around 23 million euros.

Analysis of the "Water Footprint

Energy consumption is the main focus of environmental projects at Alzchem, which has firmly anchored the issues of environmental compatibility and sustainability in its strategy. Therefore, one urgent goal is to optimize processes in the manufacture of products in such a way that energy consumption can be steadily reduced.

In addition, Alzchem started a project to reduce its "water footprint" at the Trostberg site in 2022.



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This involved systematically recording all industrial water consumers, analyzing the individual consumptions and defining measures to reduce them. These include the optimization of control systems and the multiple use of cooling water. In addition to a change in the product mix, this has already helped to reduce the absolute volume of water by around 13% in 2022.

Furthermore, emission protection, avoidance of waste, and the energy- and raw material-efficient use of resources also play an important role in the Alzchem production network. It is already a major plus that the company's production processes are predominantly based on electricity instead of crude oil or natural gas: Electricity is the energy of the future and is becoming ever greener as a result of the switch to renewable energies - as are Alzchem's products as a result.

Detailed information and key figures can be found in <u>Alzchem's Environmental Statement 2023</u>.

About sustainability at Alzchem

A high level of transparency in all environmental matters is very important to Alzchem. For this reason, the company has been EMAS-certified (Eco-Management and Audit Scheme, also known as the EU Eco-Audit) since 1997, and has been a founding member of the first Environmental Pact of Bavaria and its successor, the Environmental and Climate Pact of Bavaria, since 1995. Alzchem has also joined the Responsible Care initiative in 2021 and is thus committed to constantly improving the protection of health and the environment as well as the safety of employees and fellow citizens on the basis of its own responsibility. Social responsibility is also a high priority in our supply chain. That is why we have undergone, among other things, the independent CSR rating by the global assessment platform EcoVadis, which again awarded us the Gold Medal in 2023. The company's activities in the areas of the environment, labor and human rights, ethics, and sustainable procurement were evaluated. This puts Alzchem in the top two percent of companies assessed by EcoVadis in the field of basic chemical manufacturing. The company has also set itself a new green milestone as a goal: climate neutrality. For example, Alzchem has recently had a comprehensive climate roadmap with concrete packages of measures developed by the Board of Management together with an internal sustainability committee.



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About Alzchem

Alzchem is a globally active specialty chemicals company that is one of the market leaders in most of its fields of activity. Alzchem benefits from the three very different global developments climate change, population growth and longer life expectancy in a unique way. Alzchem products can offer attractive solutions for achieving the resulting social goals in a multitude of different applications.

The company sees interesting growth prospects for itself in the areas of human and animal nutrition and agriculture in particular. As a result of population growth, it is necessary to achieve efficient food production. Pharmaceutical raw materials and creatine products can contribute to a healthy old age as life expectancy increases. Alzchem is facing up to the goal of sustainability arising from climate change in the field of renewable energies and across the entire company. The fields of fine chemicals and metallurgy offer just as great a perspective.

Alzchem Group AG's broad product range includes dietary supplements, precursors for corona tests and pharmaceutical raw materials. These products are the company's response to global trends and developments. Alzchem is ideally positioned in this respect and considers itself well prepared for an environmental future and global developments.

The company employs around 1,680 people at four production sites in Germany and a plant in Sweden, as well as three sales companies in the USA, China and England. Alzchem generated Group sales of around EUR 542.2 million and EBITDA of around EUR 61.4 million in 2022.