

NEXTCHEM (MAIRE) AWARDED LICENSING, PROCESS DESIGN PACKAGE AND PROPRIETARY EQUIPMENT SUPPLY BASED ON ITS NX STAMI UREA™ TECHNOLOGY IN CHINA

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Milan, 19 December 2025 – **MAIRE (MAIRE.MI)** announces that **NEXTCHEM**, through its nitrogen technology licensor **Stamicarbon**, has been awarded licensing, process design package (PDP), and proprietary equipment supply based on its proprietary NX STAMI Urea[™] technology, for a new urea plant in Eastern China by a prominent fertilizer producer.

The plant, with a capacity of 2,700 metric tons per day, will adopt Stamicarbon's Ultra-Low Energy design. This solution, part of the proprietary NX STAMI Urea™ series, enables a 35% reduction in steam consumption and a 16% decrease in cooling water usage compared to conventional methods, thanks to innovative high-pressure steam utilization and advanced pool reactor design. The process also ensures very low biuret content in the final product and high-quality prills, thanks to Stamicarbon's prilling tower design.

Key equipment, including the pool reactor and stripper, will feature E-type super duplex stainless steel, leveraging Stamicarbon's expertise in material science and industrial applications.

Fabio Fritelli, Managing Director of NEXTCHEM, commented: "This project marks the tenth global application of Ultra-Low Energy technology and the eighth in China, with seven operational plants demonstrating our benchmark role for energy efficiency in large-scale urea production. This contract further strengthens NEXTCHEM's presence in this geography and demonstrates our unwavering commitment to enhancing the sustainability of the fertilizer sector through cutting-edge technological advancements".

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