

Singapore Acrylic Acid to shut 73,000 tonne/year plant in Q1

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Singapore Acrylic Acid (SAA) plans to shut its 73,000 tonne/year facility at Jurong Island in the first quarter of 2013 for a scheduled maintenance, a source familiar with the matter said on Wednesday.

The plant will be shut for about a week, the source said.

SAA is jointly owned by Japanese chemical producers Nippon Shokubai (51%), Toagosei (40%) and Sumitomo Chemical (9%).

Toagosei's acrylate esters facilities in Singapore will operate at lower rates because of the scheduled shutdown of the upstream SAA's acrylic acid plant, the source said without elaborating.

Toagosei has a 60,000 tonne/year of butyl acrylate (buty-A) plant and a methyl acrylate (methyl-A)/ethyl acrylate (ethyl-A) swing plant with a nameplate capacity of 22,000 tonne/year in Singapore, the source said.

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