

Mexico's Pemex starts maintenance on FCC plant at Veracruz refinery

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Mexican national oil company Petroleos Mexicanos (Pemex) over the weekend began the maintenance on a fluid catalytic cracking (FCC) plant at the General Lazaro Cardenas refinery in the coastal state of Veracruz, the company said on Tuesday.

Pemex did not specify how long the maintenance on the GC-1 compressor would last.

In July 2011, Pemex announced a \$3.56bn (€2.74bn) expansion and upgrade project at the Lazaro Cardenas refinery.

The project aims to increase the refining capacity to 246,000 barrels/day and expand the capacity to process heavy crude.

The refinery currently processes 190,000 bbls/day of crude and 30,000 bbls/day of mixed butanes, according to the company.

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