

# Japan's Idemitsu Kosan plans Chiba SM plant restart next week

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Japan's Idemitsu Kosan Co plans to restart its 210,000 tonne/year styrene monomer (SM) plant in Chiba early next week, a company source said on Wednesday.

The unit was shut on 8 July on a technical glitch and is currently undergoing maintenance, the source said.

Idemitsu Kosan also operates a 120,000 tonne/year and a 220,000 tonne/year SM units in Tokuyama.

Other Japanese producers of SM include Asahi Kasei Chemical, Nihon Oxirance Co and Denka.

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