

# FMC invests \$ 20 million in Brazilian plant expansion

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The pesticides production capacity of FMC Agricultural Solutions will be tripled, since there is an increasing demand and the expansion was necessary to meet it. As part of the US\$ 20 million, to be spent in three years, it has invested in this expansion, new production lines with all automation packaging, environmental protection equipment, restaurant with capacity for over a thousand meals a day, renewal of the entire park infrastructure and expansion locker.

"With the expansion, we will have capacity to produce 250 million liters per year, which includes all the existing portfolio of FMC and over 50 new products to be released in the next three years. It needs to be prepared to meet customer demand and to continue quality growth, as well as to have the required infrastructure, especially with security," says the FMC's director of Supply Chain, Andrew Lamb.

## Growth with safety

Security is FMC's main value and it is considered in all business decisions made by the company, including continued investment in this area. It is estimated that Brazil lost annually from 2.5-4 % of GDP in accidents due to the payment of social security payments. Approximately 700,000 cases of accident at work are recorded on average in Brazil every year, not including cases not officially reported, according to the Health Department. "For all of this we celebrate 20 years without an accidents and it makes FMC so proud," says Lamb.

He also explains that FMC develops several activities to increase awareness of safety in the workplace as a continual development of staff training, analysis of processes and facilities of FMC by the top security experts in the market, best engineering practices and modern equipment, besides frequent analysis of indicators and performance.

"It is a great achievement and we thank all the staff for the collaborative attitude, because our investment was designed with the best engineering practices for safe operating condition, comfortable working environment and the latest equipment in order to focus on the sustainability of our operations," says the director.

FMC's Latin America president, Antonio Carlos Zem, congratulates all employees who contributed with this result. "Safety is important to everyone's life and it is FMC's culture. This way, all staff feels involved in the issue and they help to prevent accidents and to control risks. This proves that everyone can contribute to a safer environment, and also healthy, productive and profitable. Thank you for this achievement, we want to grow forever, but with safety and quality," said Zem.

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