

Styrene monomer and propylene oxide: Shell rebuilds unit in Moerdijk

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In June 2014, an explosion on Shell's site in Moerdijk, the Netherlands destroyed a styrene monomer and propylene oxide unit. In autumn 2014 the group announced plans to rebuild the unit. According to the journal Chemical Week, the unit should reopen between Dec 2015-Mar 2016. The unit is part of Ellba (the 50:50 joint venture between Shell and BASF). It has capacities of 550,000 tonnes/y styrene and 250,000 tonnes/y propylene oxide.

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