

PRODUCTION PLANT IN **WHITE CITY**

Oregon - USA

Constructed in 1995, the White City plant has produced millions of pounds of adhesives, which our customers use to bond all types of dimensional lumber. Located in the White City Industrial Park, the plant occupies a one-acre site and includes 9,000 square feet of production, office, and lab space. Originally owned by Beaver Adhesives, the plant was sold to Ashland in 2001. Arkema/Bostik acquired the plant in March 2022. More than three million dollars in significant capital improvements for plant safety, material handling, and environmental controls has been invested since 2001. The plant contributes more than \$500,000 annually to the local economy.

The adhesives we produce at the White City plant are sold to customers under the trade name of ISOSET™. ISOSET™ is a wood bonding adhesive used in the production of engineered wood products: I-beams, laminated veneer lumber, hard-wood flooring, window, and doors.



ABOUT OUR PEOPLE

Three associates make up the White City plant team. Both staff and hourly employees meet regularly to improve the work environment in the plant. Employees live in White City and surrounding communities like Medford and Central Point. The dedication and teamwork of our White City plant employees, combined with our business philosophy of continuous improvement, enabled the White City plant to operate incident and injury free since September 2002.

HOW WE MAKE OUR ADHESIVES

The chemical raw material building blocks used to manufacture our adhesives are derived from basic chemicals and include polyvinyl alcohol, calcium carbonate and SBR latex. These raw materials are processed together in various combinations inside our blend tanks. By changing the amounts and combinations of the raw materials, diverse types of adhesives can be made that produce different properties in finished laminations.

The White City plant has 2 x 3,300-gallon blend tanks and three storage tanks for both finished adhesive and raw materials with a total manufacturing capacity of 24-million pounds per year.

Typically, a batch may remain in the blend tank for processing from 8 to 12 hours. Samples of each batch are retained and sent to our in-plant Quality Control laboratory to be checked against our manufacturing specifications.

The finished adhesive is sold in bulk, IBCs and 55-gallon drums and shipped to customers.

OUR CONCERN FOR THE COMMUNITY AND THE ENVIRONMENT

We go the extra mile in our efforts to operate safely and protect the environment. We take these precautions because we care about the health and safety of our employees and our neighbors throughout the community.

Our employees are highly trained, and new training as well as refresher training is ongoing. We have a comprehensive process for maintaining the reliability of our equipment and for implementing any changes to our systems.

The plant's blend and storage tanks are housed within containment dikes to limit the opportunity for any spilled material to escape and impact the community. Storage and processing tanks are also equipped with systems to reduce vapor emissions, and wastewater is neutralized on-site and shipped as non-hazardous liquid.

The plant even acts as a miniature recycling operation. Containers for raw material shipments into the plant are selected to reduce waste from raw material sources. Excess material from plant samples is recycled back into the process; IBCs, metal & plastic drums, aluminum beverage cans, cardboard boxes, plastic bottles, and printing paper are recycled.

WE ARE DEDICATED TO RESPONSIBLE CARE*

Bostik's White City facility is deeply committed to the Responsible Care initiative of the American Chemical Council (ACC). As an ACC member, our Responsible Care pledge is to make continuous improvement to our operations in the areas of health, safety, and the environment. In addition to our own efforts at the White City plant, we also work together with local fire, safety, and emergency forces to help protect the safety of our employees, our community, and our environment.

Each one of us at Bostik's White City plant is dedicated to fulfilling our Responsible Care obligations.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Our commitment to the Responsible Care initiative includes being an active and responsible member of our local community and seeking dialogue with our facility's neighbors. We take pride in our involvement with the local community. Our employees frequently conduct Earth Day awareness activities and other events.

BOSTIK, INC.

The White City plant is part of Bostik's Durable Goods business. Bostik's headquarters are in Wauwatosa, WI. Bostik is a leading, worldwide supplier of specialty chemicals serving industries including adhesives, automotive, composites, paint, paper, and plastics.

Building on its unique set of expertise in materials science, Arkema offers a portfolio of first-class technologies to address ever-growing demand for new and sustainable materials. With the ambition to become in 2024 a pure player in Specialty Materials, the Group is structured into 3 complementary, resilient and highly innovative segments dedicated to Specialty Materials - Adhesive Solutions, Advanced Materials, and Coating Solutions - accounting for some 92% of Group sales in 2023, and a well-positioned and competitive Intermediates segment. Arkema offers cutting-edge technological solutions to meet the challenges of, among other things, new energies, access to water, recycling, urbanization and mobility, and fosters a permanent dialogue with all its stakeholders. The Group reported sales of around € 9.5 billion (\$10.3 billion USD) in 2023, and operates in some 55 countries with 21,100 employees worldwide.

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