Decatur Operations

About Decatur

Decatur is a medium-sized city with the benefits of both a small community and the resources of a larger city. Close to Huntsville and with easy access to major cities like Memphis, Nashville and Atlanta, the area offers a great mix of small town southern traditions, nice weather and a friendly community. The nearby population of engineers, working in high-tech defense and the space industry, provides diversity and has driven the local school systems to become among the best in the country. There are plenty of entertainment options including minor-league hockey, concerts, parks, and recreation on the Tennessee River.

Community

Ascend takes its responsibility to the communities in which we operate seriously. The people of Ascend have a deep sense of commitment to make a difference in the lives of others. This is visible through their individual efforts and through their participation in events and community leadership.

Employees at the site participate in food drives, wellness events and other events that support the community. Recent projects included donating bike helmets to children and building a house through the local Habitat for Humanity program.

Contact Information

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Address

1050 Chemstrand Ave.
Decatur, AL 35601

Closest airports

Huntsville (HSV): 18 miles from plant
Birmingham (BHM): 95 miles from plant

Site Information

Production started in 1952.

Site Acreage

760

Workforce

Approximately 370 employees and contractors

Safety and Environmental Certifications

OSHA VPP Star Site
Responsible Care® 14001 certified
ISO 9002

Decatur hosts Ascend’s adiponitrile production facility, one of only a few globally, and a world scale hexamethylenediamine production unit. Decatur also serves as home to Ascend’s growing specialty chemicals business with multiple products produced, including propionitrile (PN) and triaminononane (TAN).
Ascend Performance Materials is a premium provider of high-quality plastics, fibers and chemicals. Ascend is one of the world’s largest integrated PA66 producers, with its own in-house manufacturing facilities, ensuring total security of supply. Ascend’s product range has earned it an unequalled reputation for quality, innovative techniques and an enlightened approach to business that expands the horizons of possibility. With six global locations and more than 3,200 people working at our sites around the world, Ascend has the inspiration, the expertise, the people and the attitude toward innovation to consistently deliver the right solution for customers.