

Ashton-in-Makerfield leads the way in carbon technology

Chemviron Carbon, one of Europe's leading manufacturers and suppliers of activated carbons, has made a substantial investment to further develop its Ashton-in-Makerfield site, as part of a major European investment programme.

The newly installed state-of-the-art facility, located next to the company's European Research and Development Centre, will operate round the clock producing respirator carbons for use in air and gas purification. These impregnated carbons are speciality products that have been pretreated to purify the air for workers on chemical plants, for use in breathing apparatus for emergency services employees and many other specialised applications.

Chemviron Carbon's European Business Development Director, Allan Singleton, explained: "We are already a leader in the field of activated carbons and this latest investment means that we can dramatically increase our capacity and further reinforce our market position, allowing us to meet the increasing demands from our customers going forwards.

"The first mention of porous carbons for use in purification dates back to ancient Egypt thousands of years ago and there are now around 600 applications ranging from water filtration to food and pharmaceutical uses.

"One of the major applications for activated carbon is in municipal drinking water treatment plants and, on a smaller scale, in household water filter jugs – perhaps its most recognisable use. There is, however, a growing need for specialised respirator carbons to purify the air from harmful chemicals and gases. The requirements for these products have become increasingly complex and we are setting up this Speciality Carbon Centre to develop and build on our ever increasing range of products," Allan concluded.

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Notes for editors: Chemviron Carbon is the European operation of Calgon Carbon Corporation, a global manufacturer, supplier and developer of activated carbons, treatment systems, technologies and services for optimising production processes and safely purifying the environment. With experience developed since the early part of the twentieth century, facilities around the world and a world-class team of over 800 employees, Calgon Carbon Corporation can provide the solutions to the most difficult purification challenges.

Chemviron Carbon's new facility in Ashton-in-Makerfield, Lancashire UK.

