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NEXUS ENGINEERING GROUP ASSISTS OXITENO'S ALKOXYLATION PLANT START-UP IN PASADENA

Nexus project services and engineering supported successful start-up.

Cleveland, OH – Oxiteno, one of the world's largest ethoxylates producers, announced the startup of its new 170,000 metric tons/year manufacturing plant in Pasadena on September 4, 2018. The new unit includes world class alkoxylation technology to ensure safety and environmental performance. It will serve as reliable domestic source of products for Oxiteno's regional and global customers. Oxiteno has invested approximately \$200 million USD over 6 years including site acquisition, plant construction, and R&D facilities while creating more than 120 jobs.

Nexus assisted with on-site project services and engineering support in getting the new plant online.

The company will produce a wide range of nonionic surfactants and specialty alkoxyates serving key markets such as agrochemicals, home care, industrial & institutional cleaning, personal care, oilfield chemicals, paints & coatings.

"We are proud to be part of this successful project and our great working relationship with Oxiteno, a world-class organization" said Jeff Herzog, president of Nexus Engineering Group, LLC headquartered in Cleveland, OH. "Our Houston office personnel played a key role in helping Oxiteno plan and execute the project. Engineers from our Cleveland office supported the project in a collaborative effort with both the Oxiteno's Pasadena project team and home office in Brazil. Working with all parts of the Oxiteno organization was a pleasure," said Herzog.

The new alkoxylation plant in Texas is a key accomplishment in the journey for Oxiteno becoming a leading supplier of surfactants and specialty alkoxyates to US and global customers. It represents a long-term commitment to serving the US domestic market.

About Nexus Engineering Group LLC

Nexus Engineering Group LLC, headquartered in Cleveland, and with offices in Maumee, Ohio and Houston, Texas, is a full-service, independent engineering firm focused on supporting clients' specific

project goals from concept to startup. Since 2005, clients have recognized Nexus as the engineering firm of choice in the refining, petroleum midstream, chemical, manufacturing and utilities industries.

With more than 100 professionals on staff, Nexus is made up of experienced process, instrumentation and controls, structural, electrical, mechanical, and piping professionals with decades of hands-on conceptual and detailed system design and construction and project management experience.

Nexus delivers project designs that reduce overall risks resulting in safer work environments. By utilizing state-of-the-art software and innovative design tools, Nexus consistently meets client project and investment requirements. Get to know us and you will agree that Nexus is not your typical engineering firm - *"We think differently"*. For more information, visit www.nexusegroup.com

About Oxiteno

Oxiteno, part of Ultra (B3: UGPA3; NYSE: UGP), is one of the leading producers of surfactants and specialty chemicals. The company develops innovative and sustainable solutions that supply multiple markets, such as agrochemicals, personal care, home care, oil & gas, paints and coatings. Oxiteno has operations in North and South America, Europe and Asia. In the United States, Oxiteno's industrial plant in Pasadena, TX, its main office in Houston, TX and R&D center in Hattiesburg, MS operate together, serving customers nationwide through different channels with a broad portfolio of products and solutions. For more information visit www.oxiteno.us.

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