

Press Release

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Explosion in Almatis Sinter Plant in Ludwigshafen No Human or Environmental Casualty

On 16 January 2020 at around 1:45AM, a fire and subsequent explosion occurred in the sintering plant at Almatis GmbH in Ludwigshafen.

Most importantly there were no casualties. The root cause of the incident is still unknown. Our experts and the local authorities are currently investigating. The fire brigade and rescue services were immediately on site and the fire was rapidly brought under control. The extent of the damage to property cannot yet be quantified.

The effects of the accident were limited to the part of the building containing a mill, and there was at no time any danger to residents or the environment.

The official representatives are currently conducting damage assessment on site.

Only the Sinter plant is affected. The Calcination and Grinding Center continue on normal product levels.

The Sinter plant will remain out of operation until further notice.

Our global supply network will be utilized to ensure minimal impact for our customers. The Almatis Commercial Team will be contacting customers that may be affected in the short term.