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Routine maintenance of vitamin B_2 plant in Gunsan

Gunsan, South Korea – July 1, 2009 – BASF is to shut down production of vitamin B_2 at its facility in Gunsan, South Korea, for a routine overhaul for a few weeks in August 2009. BASF will continue to meet all its supply commitments to customers during that time. Vitamin B_2 (riboflavin) is used in animal and human nutrition. BASF's fermentatively produced vitamin B_2 is GMO free.

About BASF's Nutrition Ingredients

BASF's Nutrition Ingredients business unit is a leading supplier of food ingredients and feed additives. The product portfolio includes vitamins, carotenoids, enzymes, organic acids and others. BASF offers products of outstanding quality produced with modern, state-of-the-art technologies. BASF also combines technical services and scientific expertise to meet the highest demands and to deliver the best value to the industry. Premium formulations are a key strength that has made BASF a leader in the industry. Further information is available at www.nutrition.basf.com

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