

## REPSOL FURTHER INVESTS IN ADVANCED POLYMERS FOR THE AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY

- **The company announces a new reactor arrived in June for a polypropylene plant at its industrial complex in Tarragona.**
- **This gas-phase reactor is the second the company owns for the production of high-impact resistance polypropylene (HIPP).**
- **Repsol commits to the future of the automotive market at a difficult time for this sector.**

A few months ago, Repsol resolved to invest in improvements for its facilities, with the installation of a new gas-phase reactor for the manufacture of high-impact polypropylene (HIPP) for the automotive sector. These degrees can reduce vehicle weight, thus improving their environmental footprint and significantly increasing the impact resistance, which protects the interior of the passenger compartment, increasing passenger safety.

This investment is especially significant during these difficult times for the automotive sector, in which many companies are reducing investments. Repsol is committed to continually grow in such a highly technical and challenging segment, in which it has been operating for over 20 years.

With this commitment, the company will expand its offer of very high impact polypropylene grades for applications such as door panels, instrument panels, consoles, pillars, bumpers, technical parts, safety parts, batteries, among others. These applications will make it possible to reduce the vehicles' weight and improve their environmental footprint to favor the transition to electric cars and reduce emissions in combustion vehicles while improving the resistance to the impact that protects the interior of the cabin, increasing the safety of the passengers.

All these new grades will broaden the Repsol Impacto® range, with which Repsol has been in the automotive market for two years.

Additionally, this investment will improve the offer of high impact resistance polypropylene grades for other applications such as toys, suitcases, chairs, rigid packaging, boxes, cubes, or corrugated cardboard, among others.

It is a "countercyclical" investment that demonstrates Repsol's commitment to the automotive sector by continuing to develop differentiated products to support this sector's current challenges, particularly in automotive manufacturing. Auto manufacturers see how the reduction of the carbon footprint has become a necessity to live in cleaner cities and use more efficient vehicles.



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## **NOTE TO THE EDITOR**

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Repsol is a global multi-energy provider, which works to facilitate the transition towards an energy model with fewer emissions. It employs over 25,000 people, has assets in 35 countries, and sells its products to 10 million customers in more than 90 countries. It operates low-emission power generation assets and is developing various renewable photovoltaic and wind energy projects. The company is a pioneer in the development of initiatives for sustainable mobility, with more efficient fuels and new solutions such as electric vehicle charging stations or Autogas. It produces more than 700,000 barrels of oil equivalent per day and has one of the most efficient refining systems in Europe. Technology and digitalization are pillars of the company, whose objective is to be zero net emissions in 2050, the first in the sector to assume this ambitious goal.

Repsol manufactures and markets a wide variety of chemical products, ranging from basic petrochemicals to derivatives. Repsol's derivative chemicals include a broad range of polyolefins, all 100% recyclable. In addition, the company has three large petrochemical facilities in Europe where high added-value differentiated products are developed.

The products from Repsol's Chemicals Division are used to manufacture everyday objects that improve people's quality of life, their well-being, and their safety.

The company's chemical business will also contribute decisively to a more decarbonized economy. Repsol is committed to the efficiency of its industrial chemical processes and oriented to the circular economy, with the ambition to recycle the equivalent of 20% of its polyolefins' production.

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