

News Release



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Ashland earns independent EFfCI GMP certification verifying cosmetic ingredient quality and manufacturing systems

Bridgewater, NJ – Ashland Inc. (NYSE: ASH) announced that seven of its global manufacturing facilities have received certification from the European Federation for Cosmetic Ingredients (EFfCI) for Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP). The certified sites include facilities located across North America and Europe that manufacture Ashland’s wide range of ingredients to supply the cosmetic industry throughout the world.

In addition to these seven sites, Ashland will continue the certification process with plans for other facilities to achieve certification by 2017.

“The latest EFfCI certifications are the result of our ongoing commitment to consistently deliver high-quality ingredients for our customers,” said Annie Tannhauser, vice president, global product regulatory and quality, Ashland. “With EFfCI certification, personal care formulators and manufacturers can more easily turn to Ashland for specialized, safe and reliable ingredients as the certification is recognized worldwide and ensures that manufacturing practices adhere to rigorous quality standards and align with ISO 9001:2008 guidelines.”

Established in 2000, the EFfCI is a European trade association that brings together ingredient manufacturers throughout the cosmetics and personal care industry. Developed for the cosmetic industry, the certification standard and scheme for GMP was established to help ensure product integrity, quality and consistency in the production of cosmetic ingredients. For more information regarding EFfCI, please visit: www.effci.com.

About Ashland

Ashland Inc. (NYSE: ASH) is a global leader in providing specialty chemical solutions to customers in a wide range of consumer and industrial markets, including adhesives, architectural coatings, automotive, construction, energy, food and beverage, personal care and pharmaceutical. Through our three business units – Ashland Specialty Ingredients, Ashland Performance Materials and Valvoline – we use good chemistry to make great things happen for customers in more than 100 countries. Visit ashland.com to learn more.

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