

Notice Regarding Decision to Continue Producing Acetylene Black at the Omuta Plant

Denka Company Limited (headquarters: Chuo-ku, Tokyo; president: Manabu Yamamoto; hereinafter “Denka”) announces its decision to alter the plan to cease calcium carbide production at the Omuta Plant (Omuta City, Fukuoka), which was announced on November 8, 2017, as described below.

Under its “Denka Value-Up” management plan, Denka will continue enhancing the production system of ultra-pure and highly electroconductive acetylene black to address increasing demand in electrically powered cars and the electricity storage industry, aiming at the further growth of one of its priority fields, the field of the environment and energy.

1. Details of the alteration

Product	Announcement made on November 8, 2017	Details of the alteration announced at this time
Acetylene black	<p>Cease production by the end of December 2019</p> <p>Concentrate the production of acetylene black for LiB use at the Chiba Plant</p> <p>Concentrate the production of acetylene black for high-voltage power transmission cables at DSPL (Singapore)</p>	<p>Continue producing acetylene black (some of the grades) at the Omuta Plant after January 2020</p>

2. Reason for continuation

To continue enhancing the stable supply and future production system of acetylene black to cater to the significantly growing demand for lithium ion batteries, which are its main application.

3. Future Outlook

This alteration will have no impact on the consolidated operating results for the fiscal year ending March 2019.

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