

AB Agri opens ninth feed production site in China to meet growing customer demand

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AB Agri has opened a new 240,000 tonne capacity feed mill in Tongchuan City, Shaanxi Province, China, to further expand production capacity in the region as it grows its global footprint. The new 34,000 square metre site becomes AB Agri China's second largest facility and comprises separate production lines for swine and ruminant feeds.

The Tongchuan mill is the latest in a significant investment programme in China for AB Agri. The business is now producing in excess of 1.7 million tonnes of compound feed equivalent.

"We are passionate about producing affordable, high quality and responsible food across the globe," said José Nobre, AB Agri's Chief Executive Officer. "The new mill increases our capacity and reliability across the supply chain and helps develop a sustainable future for the feed and food industry in China."

The mill is AB Agri's ninth production site in China. The completion of construction was delayed by two months because of Covid-19 restrictions and bad weather.

"We are delighted and proud of the effort and passion the team demonstrated to complete this project with just a two-month delay, despite all the obstacles faced," said Nie Kuo, AB Agri China, Managing Director.

"As part of our responsible approach, production at the new site is free of antibiotic growth promoters (AGPs), which is important given the widespread restrictions on their use and potential impact on human health antibiotic resistance."

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AB Agri manufactures animal feed, nutrition- and technology-based products and offers data services for the agri-food industry. It operates all along the food industry supply chain. It produces and supplies compound animal feed, feed enzymes, specialised feed ingredients and a range of value-added services to farmers, feed and food manufacturers, processors and retailers.

Associated British Foods is a diversified international food, ingredients and retail group with sales of £13.9bn and 133,000 employees in 53 countries. It has significant businesses in Europe, Africa, the Americas, Asia and Australia. Its aim is to achieve strong, sustainable leadership positions in markets that offer potential for long-term profitable growth. It looks to achieve this through a combination of growth of existing businesses, acquisition of complementary new businesses and achievement of high levels of operating efficiency.

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