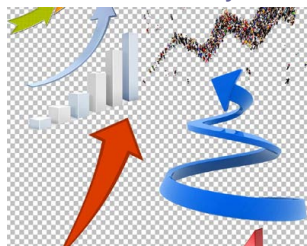


News Focus

HDI Hardener Price may Continue to Rise as Tight HMDA Supply Persists

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PUdaily, Shanghai-- Currently, the HDI production technology is still monopolized by a few companies in the world. That is, only a few companies have the technology for commercial production. They are Germany's Covestro and BASF, France's Vencorex, Japan's Asahi Kasei, Tosoh and Mitsui Chemicals, and China's Wanhua Chemical. In 2018, the domestic HDI hardener market features tight supply and rising price. However, before 2018 the overall landscape was oversupply. Today, PUdaily will review the developments in domestic HDI hardener market from 2015 to 2017 for your reference. In 2015, the domestic HDI hardener market remained sluggish as it was in the prior year, with the price fluctuating between RMB 46,000 and 49,000/ton. At the end of the first quarter...[More](#)

Polyurethane Market

An Analysis of Japan and South Korea's PMDI Exports to Southeast Asia in H1 2018

2018-09-03

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The Policy of Replacing Coal with Gas Should be Implemented Based on the Conditions

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Company Dynamic

BASF Fined for Air Quality Violations

2018-08-30

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LANXESS :Low Free (LF) Isocyanate Urethane Prepolymers for Adhesives and Sealants

2018-09-03

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Personnel Changes at BASF

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Fried-Walter Münstermann (54), President, Procurement, BASF SE, Ludwigshafen, Germany, will assume responsibility for the "Task Force Process Simplification" effective January 1, 2019. He will be succeeded by Stefano Pigozzi (54), President, Monomers, BASF SE, Ludwigshafen...[More](#)

Industry Glance

\$14 Billion Automotive OEM Coatings Market 2018

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