

## **Media Release**

Syngenta continues decarbonization of global operations – US site recognized by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

- Syngenta's US manufacturing facility recognized for the first time in EPA's Top 100 users of green power
- Hydropower a major source of power at Monthey, Switzerland site
- Further progress in actions to decarbonize energy and heat in own operations, and decreasing sector's footprint

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Syngenta Group, one of the world's leading global agriculture technology companies, announced today that its manufacturing facility in St. Gabriel, Louisiana, US, has been recognized as a top user of green power by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Syngenta is the only company within the agricultural sector to be included in the latest EPA's National Top 100 List of top users of green power from the Green Power Partnership.

This recognition marks the latest milestone in the company's actions to decarbonize its operations globally. Dr. Tom Gray, Head of Active Ingredient Strategy and Operations at Syngenta Group, said: "We are proud to be recognized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for being a leader in the green power market. The implementation of our global strategy for sourcing renewable electricity is well underway, and we are working hard to decarbonize further and improve the energy efficiency of our operations. We are also collaborating closely with our partners throughout our global supply chain to decrease our entire carbon footprint."

The St. Gabriel production site is one of Syngenta's global manufacturing centers of excellence equipped to handle highly complex processes and meet the most

stringent production and quality standards. The site consumes more than 150 million kWh of energy annually – equivalent to the annual electricity use of 14,000 homes in the country. Through the purchase of Renewable Energy Certificates, Syngenta's site demonstrates that it sources 100 percent of its electrical energy from renewable sources such as wind and solar – fully offsetting its electricity consumption from fossil fuel-based sources.

Program Manager of EPA's Green Power Partnership James Critchfield said: "This list of the largest users of green power across the nation is proof that good business practices can also benefit the environment. EPA applauds the leading organizations in the Green Power Partnership's Top Partner Rankings for their notable commitment to expanding their use of green power and protecting the environment."

Globally, Syngenta has also invested significantly at its other production sites, as part of its published commitment to reduce carbon emissions by 2030. In Switzerland, Syngenta's production site in Monthey uses hydropower for a sizeable portion of the site's electricity needs and generates the equivalent of half its steam consumption by recovering heat from household waste incineration. In 2023, Syngenta's Monthey site was awarded the "Go Carbon Free" label by the Carbon Free Valais Foundation, in recognition of its efforts to reduce its carbon footprint.

In Brazil, Syngenta's R&D and manufacturing sites for its crop protection and seeds businesses also source 100 percent of their electricity needs from renewable sources. This was achieved alongside comprehensive efforts aimed at reducing water consumption and waste generation, and at long-term net-zero energy sourcing.

In China, the Kunshan manufacturing site emerged as Syngenta Group China's first carbon-neutral facility after Beijing Green Exchange, a platform for carbon emission trading in China, awarded it in July for fully offsetting its carbon emissions generated from its operations. The site is implementing continuous improvements such as real-time monitoring of electricity usage, alongside upgrading equipment to be more energy efficient.

"Syngenta is fully committed to a long-term journey to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the running of our operations," said Gray. "This is a key focus area for us, even as we drive innovation to enable farmers to adapt to climate change and increase the sustainability of agriculture. To this end, we have invested in building an internal function focused solely on Sustainable Operations, which will drive these and other initiatives designed to reduce both our own emissions and those of our value chain."

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