



*With startup of region's first TDI plant...*

## **Sadara achieves full commercial operations of its chemical complex**

**Jubail, Saudi Arabia, 17 September, 2017** – Sadara Chemical Company (Sadara), the largest chemical complex ever built in a single phase, announces the commercial start-up of its toluene di isocyanate (TDI) facility. The production of commercial quantities of TDI marks the full commercial operation of all facilities in the Sadara complex.

Located in the company's chemical complex in Jubail Industrial City II, the TDI unit consists of three integrated units that will produce di nitro toluene (DNT), toluene di amine (TDA), and toluene di isocyanate (TDI).

Commenting on the occasion, Sadara CEO Ziad Al-Labban said: "Sadara has come a long way in the last six years, from the signing of the original agreement between our shareholders, Saudi Aramco and The Dow Chemical Company, to Sadara's official inauguration last November by the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al-Saud, to today's commercial operation of all plants at the Sadara complex. The petrochemical and chemical products from Sadara will further spur the Kingdom's industrial growth across multiple sectors, including automotive, construction, manufacturing, pharmaceuticals and consumer goods."

TDI is widely used in the production of furniture, mattresses and cushioning, as well as car seats. It also has a variety of industrial uses, such as the production of coatings, adhesives, sealants, specialty foams and other industrial products.

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### ***About Sadara:***

*Sadara is a joint venture developed by the Saudi Arabian Oil Company (Saudi Aramco) and The Dow Chemical Company. Sadara is a multi-billion dollar world-scale chemical complex in Jubail Industrial City II in Saudi Arabia's Eastern Province. Comprising 26 world scale manufacturing units, the Sadara complex is the world's largest to be built*

*in a single phase and will be the first in the Middle East to use refinery liquids, such as naphtha, as feedstock. By using best-in-class technologies to crack refinery liquid feedstock, Sadara will enable many industries that either currently do not exist in Saudi Arabia or only exist through imports of raw materials. The adjacent PlasChem Park, a unique collaboration between Sadara and the Royal Commission for Jubail and Yanbu', will create more value downstream, generating unprecedented investment, innovation, economic growth and thousands of jobs.*

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