

### **S Korea's LG Chem to boost Daesan ethylene output by 22% in 3 years**

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South Korea's LG Chem plans to increase the ethylene production capacity of its naphtha-fed steam cracker at Daesan by 230,000 mt/year, or 22%, to 1.27 million mt/year in the next three years, the company said Monday.

To achieve that, the company will spend Won 287 billion (\$251.9 million) on the expansion by 2019, it said, thereby boosting its overall ethylene capacity to 2.43 million mt/year.

Also, LG Chem said it will convert one of two polystyrene production lines to produce acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene over first-half 2017.

As such, the company's ABS capacity will increase 30,000 mt/year to 880,000 mt/year, while PS production will fall 50,000 mt/year to 50,000 mt/year.