

## Evonik to support Chinese anti-dumping investigations for methionine

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On April 10, the Ministry of Commerce of the People's Republic of China announced anti-dumping investigations concerning the import of the essential amino acid and feed additive methionine from Japan, Malaysia and Singapore. The period considered for possible dumping is the calendar year 2018. In addition, it will also be analyzed whether domestic industry suffered losses in the calendar years 2016 to 2018 in this context. The investigation is said to be completed by April 10, 2020.

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Evonik fully supports the investigation by the Chinese authorities and will provide competent bodies with all the necessary information and data. The company will cooperate fully in the ongoing investigation, while being confident with respect to its outcome.

The specialty chemicals company is one of the world's leading manufacturers of the essential amino acid DL-methionine, which the company markets under the brand name MetAMINO®.

Evonik manufactures MetAMINO® at four locations in Antwerp (Belgium), Mobile (Alabama, USA), Singapore and Wesseling (Germany). The largest plant is located in Antwerp. Relying on this production network, Evonik supplies customers in more than 120 countries, ensuring a structurally reliable supply of methionine on a global basis – regardless of geographic location.

The essential amino acid methionine needs to be ingested with the feed. As a feed additive, it contributes to efficient, healthy and more sustainable nutrition of farm animals, especially poultry and pigs.

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