

Vopak informs employees about intention to restructure Dutch chemicals activities

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Royal Vopak announces that the management of its Dutch chemicals terminals has informed its employees about the intention to restructure certain activities in the Netherlands. A plan is currently being developed to further improve safety and to increase efficiency and the overall service level through significant investments in the Dutch chemicals terminals. The foreseen investments will lead to a reduction of several tens of jobs at the Dutch chemicals terminals organization for which the management sees opportunities to prevent forced redundancies. Owing to uncertainties in the Dutch chemicals market the intended investments and the restructuring resulting from it are deemed necessary to bring the Dutch chemicals terminals to a structurally better competitive position. The works councils and labor unions have also been informed and will be involved in the further process.

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Profile Royal Vopak

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