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## News Release

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### **MISSISSIPPI PHOSPHATES CORPORATION ANNOUNCES STARTUP ACTIVITIES**

*Pascagoula, Miss. (Feb. 2, 2006)* - Mississippi Phosphates Corporation announced today that startup activities are underway at its Pascagoula, Miss., diammonium phosphate facility. The plant has been idled since August 29, 2005, when Hurricane Katrina made landfall and severely damaged the facility. The extensive repair and restoration project is essentially complete. Sulfuric acid production has commenced in one sulfuric acid plant. Phased startup of the other sulfuric acid plant, the phosphoric acid plant, and the DAP plant is scheduled over the course of the next several days.

Mississippi Phosphates Corporation produces diammonium phosphate fertilizer (DAP) at its production facility in Pascagoula, Miss. The Company distributes its fertilizer to both domestic and international markets. For additional information on the Company, please visit our website at [www.missphosphates.com](http://www.missphosphates.com).

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