

Givaudan Taste & Wellbeing breaks ground on new production facility

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Givaudan, a global leader in Taste & Wellbeing, announced the groundbreaking of its new, state-of-the-art liquids production facility in Reading, Ohio, reinforcing its continued commitment to the North American region. The new site, which will complement the Company's existing facilities, represents an initial investment of CHF 187 million (\$215M) and will span 24,000 square metres within a total reserved land area of more than 100,000 square metres to accommodate future growth.

"This new facility represents our largest investment in the US in many years, demonstrating the importance of the market to Givaudan and to the food and beverage industry. It is a tangible example of Givaudan's 2030 strategy in action, strengthening our market and operational presence, extending customer reach, and advancing sustainable, innovative solutions that consumers love," said Gilles Andrier, Chief Executive Officer.

The site is positioned for substantial growth and expansion over time, as Givaudan continues to invest in technologies and processes designed to maximise production while helping to reduce environmental impact. Over time, the new facility will create over 300 jobs across diverse skill sets, highlighting Givaudan's commitment to fostering local talent and the sustainable growth of the economy.

"By expanding our operational capabilities, we're positioning ourselves for future innovation as we continue to deliver tailored solutions within North America," said Antoine Khalil, President Taste & Wellbeing. "Driven by the dedication of our employees, the new facility will strengthen our ability to help grow customer brands by delivering distinctive, memorable food experiences that resonate with consumers."

In line with Givaudan's purpose, the Company has also announced community and environmental initiatives related to the new facility. Plans include support to community programmes, such as educational initiatives, alongside local partners. Additionally, the site will be run without the use of natural gas to further reduce Givaudan's overall GHG emissions. The project will introduce sustainable technologies, such as carbon bed filtration.

Construction on the site is underway, with completion expected in 18 months and partial operations scheduled to begin as early as 2027. Givaudan Taste & Wellbeing currently has 17 locations across the United States and Canada.