



Air Products Signs Agreements to Acquire Five Operating Hydrogen Plants for \$530 Million and Long-Term Hydrogen Supply to PBF Energy

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Asset Acquisitions in California and Delaware Add Nearly 300 Million Standard Cubic Feet Per Day of Hydrogen Production Capacity;

Additional Information to be Discussed on Air Products' 2nd Quarter Earnings Call on April 23rd

LEHIGH VALLEY, Pa., March 30, 2020 /PRNewswire/ -- Air Products (NYSE: APD) today announced it has signed agreements with PBF Energy Inc. (NYSE: PBF) that include the \$530 million purchase of five hydrogen steam methane reformer (SMR) hydrogen production plants and the long-term supply of hydrogen from those already operating plants to PBF refineries. The SMRs, with a combined nearly 300 million standard cubic feet per day of production capacity, are located in Torrance and Martinez, California and Delaware City, Delaware. The deal is targeted to close during the third quarter of Air Products' 2020 fiscal year.

"Air Products has a very strong balance sheet. This puts us in an outstanding financial position to execute our strategy of investing in long-term onsite deals, which includes asset acquisitions like the one we are announcing today. With this acquisition, not only do we gain five SMR plants, but we also secure a long-term hydrogen sale of gas agreement with an existing customer who is one of the largest independent refiners in North America," said [Seifi Ghasemi](#), Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer at Air Products.

PBF Energy Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Thomas Nimbley said, "PBF is excited about expanding our long-standing relationship with Air Products. We are pleased to partner with a global leader in the industrial gas business and ensuring that our facilities continue to be supplied by a premier provider."

Air Products is known as a leader in the supply of [hydrogen to refineries](#) in order to make cleaner burning transportation fuels. Hydrogen is widely used in petroleum refining processes to remove impurities found in crude oil such as sulphur, olefins and aromatics to meet product fuels specifications. Removing these components allows gasoline and diesel to burn cleaner and thus makes hydrogen a critical component in the production of cleaner fuels needed by modern, efficient internal combustion engines.

The company also operates one of the most successful [carbon capture](#) projects in the world in Port Arthur, Texas, where the captured carbon dioxide (CO₂) is injected into the ground and used for enhanced oil recovery in the state. Since 2013, Air Products has captured nearly 10 million tons of CO₂ at Port Arthur that has been put to beneficial use.

Air Products currently operates 12 industrial gas facilities in California, which includes five hydrogen production plants. The hydrogen from these plants is used in the making of ultra-low sulphur transportation fuels (gasoline, diesel and jet). Air Products also supplies [hydrogen for fueling](#) and fueling infrastructure in California to support the growing fleet of hydrogen fuel cell electric vehicles.

The SMR being purchased in Delaware City would be Air Products' first major asset operating in Delaware.

About Air Products

Air Products (NYSE:[APD](#)) is a world-leading industrial gases company in operation for nearly 80 years. Focused on serving energy, environment and emerging markets, the Company provides essential industrial gases, related equipment and applications expertise to customers in dozens of industries, including refining, chemical, metals, electronics, manufacturing, and food and beverage. Air Products is also the global leader in the supply of liquefied natural gas process technology and equipment. The Company develops, engineers, builds, owns and operates some of the world's largest industrial gas projects, including gasification projects that sustainably convert abundant natural resources into syngas for the production of high-value power, fuels and chemicals.

The Company had fiscal 2019 sales of \$8.9 billion from operations in 50 countries and has a current market capitalization of about \$45 billion. More than 17,000 passionate, talented and committed employees from diverse backgrounds are driven by Air Products' higher purpose to create innovative solutions that benefit the environment, enhance sustainability and address the challenges facing customers, communities, and the world. For more information, visit www.airproducts.com or follow us on [LinkedIn](#), [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#).

About PBF Energy Inc.

PBF Energy Inc. (NYSE:PBF) is one of the largest independent refiners in North America, operating, through its subsidiaries, oil refineries and related facilities in California, Delaware, Louisiana, New Jersey and Ohio. Our mission is to operate our facilities in a safe, reliable and environmentally responsible manner, provide employees with a safe and rewarding workplace, become a positive influence in the communities where we do business, and provide superior returns to our investors.

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