





Sterling Specialty Chemicals acquires Kemira's Energy division for \$280 million

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Sterling Specialty Chemicals, a subsidiary of Artek US and part of the Praana Group, has announced the acquisition of Kemira's Energy division for approximately \$280 million. The deal will create a global specialty chemicals business with a focus on water, energy, and sustainability solutions.

The acquired division will be integrated with Sterling Specialty Chemicals, which had revenue in 2023 in excess of \$600 million. The merger will enhance the company's market position and innovation capabilities, as well as contribute to the global efforts for a more sustainable and efficient future.

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