

deSter expands manufacturing capability in Thailand



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[deSter](#) this week announced a significant investment in new production technologies, expanding its capabilities in Thailand.

deSter's site in Prachinburi will have a multimillion-dollar investment in production equipment for wet molded fiber products. The facility expansion is under construction and machine commissioning is taking place. The company said it will be fully operational in December.

Wet molded fiber products play a crucial role in enabling the reduction of single use plastics in the on-board and foodservice markets and have become an integral part of the deSter product portfolio.

deSter was also an early adopter of the dry molded fiber production technology, originally developed by [PulPac](#). Those capabilities are operational in its production site in Hoogstraten, Belgium. Dry molded fiber production does not consume any water and has a very low carbon footprint. All fiber products are and will be developed to be elemental chlorine free, home compostable and recyclable. In addition, the facility in Prachinburi will operate on a zero-emission basis for chemical and waste water and based on highly automated and BRC-certified processes.

After previous investments in Belgium and the U.S., deSter will have modern production capabilities in three regions, supporting customers' needs for flexibility and regional production.

"This investment is another milestone in preparing deSter for the future. In close alignment with our customers and backed by our shareholders, we are continuously improving our production capabilities to better serve our customers, our employees and the planet," said Stef Van de Perre, President and Managing Director deSter. "It also supports us in achieving our ESG (environmental, social and governance) targets of reducing our carbon footprint in operations by 25 percent and making all of our products either reusable, recyclable or compostable, both by 2025."

More information on deSter's ESG initiative can be found [here](#) and on the company's LinkedIn profile [1](#)

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