

Revolutionizing materials with molecular recycling

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Opportunities going to waste

300 million metric tons of plastics are produced globally



260 million metric tons of plastics are disposed

12%
Actually gets mechanically recycled

16%
Collected for mechanical recycling

19%
Unmanaged dumps or leaks into environment

25%
Incinerated

40%
Landfilled



Plastics are essential ... but the waste issue must be solved

HYDRATE



Plastics help to deliver hydration to those who need it

FEED



Advanced packaging technologies preserve fruits, vegetables, & meats

CARE



Plastics improve sterility, patient safety, and comfort in therapies



REDUCE



REUSE



RECYCLE

Climate impact of plastics

Reducing greenhouse gas emissions:

In applications analyzed by McKinsey & Company, plastics had a lower total greenhouse gas contribution than the next-best, non-plastic alternative for that product in the U.S. in 2020.

In carpets,
plastic
emitted

80%
less

GHG than
wool

In soft drink
containers,
plastic emitted

50%
less

GHG than
aluminum

In soap
containers,
plastic emitted

15%
less

GHG than
glass

In t-shirts,
plastic
emitted

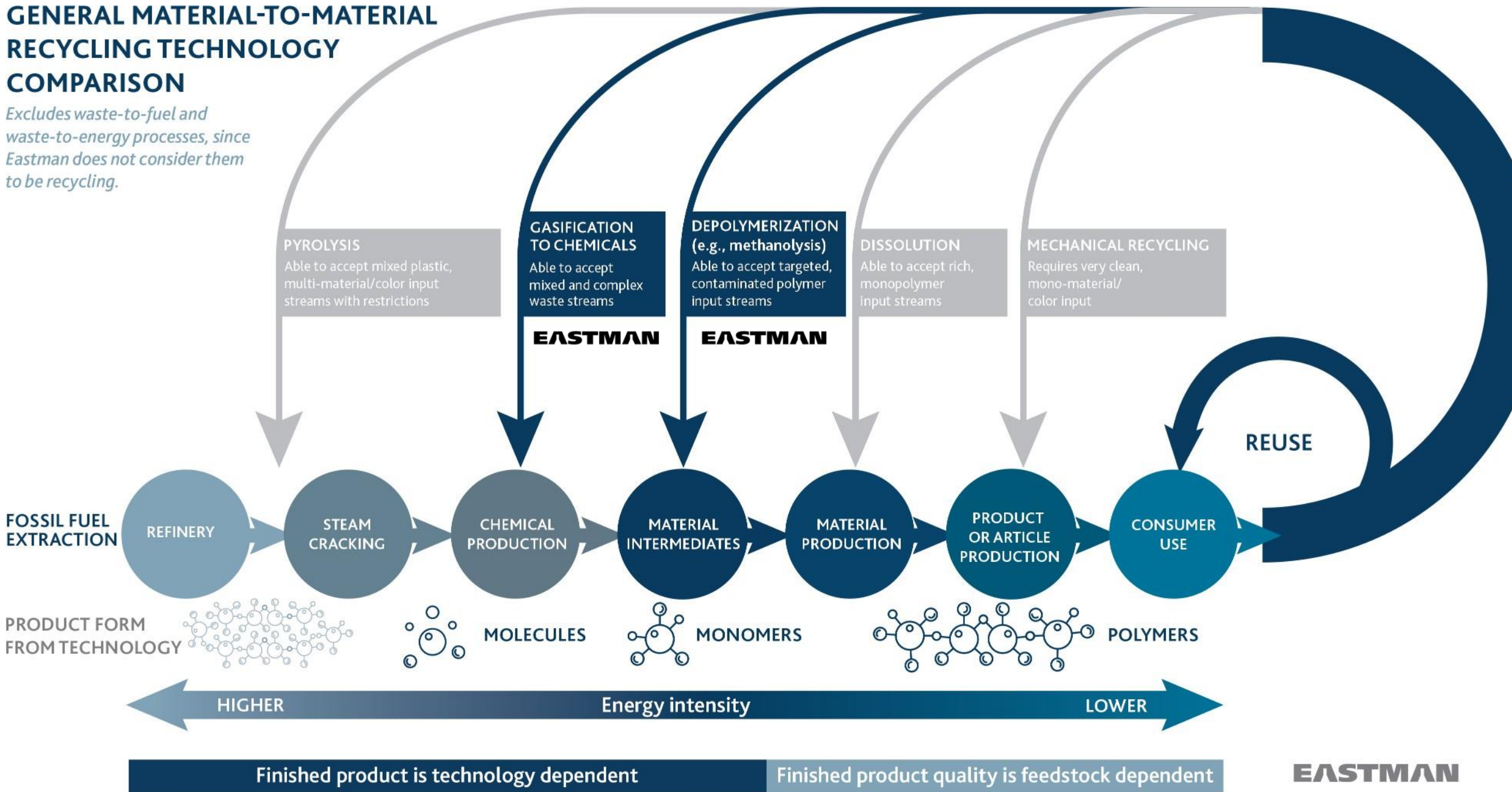
15%
less

GHG than
cotton



GENERAL MATERIAL-TO-MATERIAL RECYCLING TECHNOLOGY COMPARISON

Excludes waste-to-fuel and waste-to-energy processes, since Eastman does not consider them to be recycling.



METHANOLYSIS

POLYESTER RENEWAL TECHNOLOGY (PRT)

20%–30% less GHG emissions than fossil based monomer

Enables a diverse variety of polyesters, including many that are difficult to mechanically recycle, to be unzipped to their monomers and reassembled into new polyesters with prime performance.

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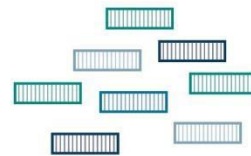
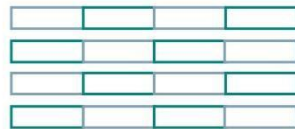


RECOVERED
POLYESTER

MECHANICAL
PURIFICATION PROCESS

DEPOLYMERIZATION

EXISTING SPECIALTY
PLASTICS PRODUCTION
DMT | MEG



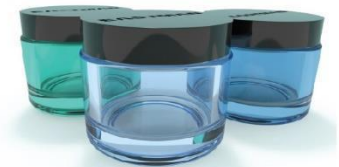
rDMT



rMEG



rEmbrace
rEaster
rTritan

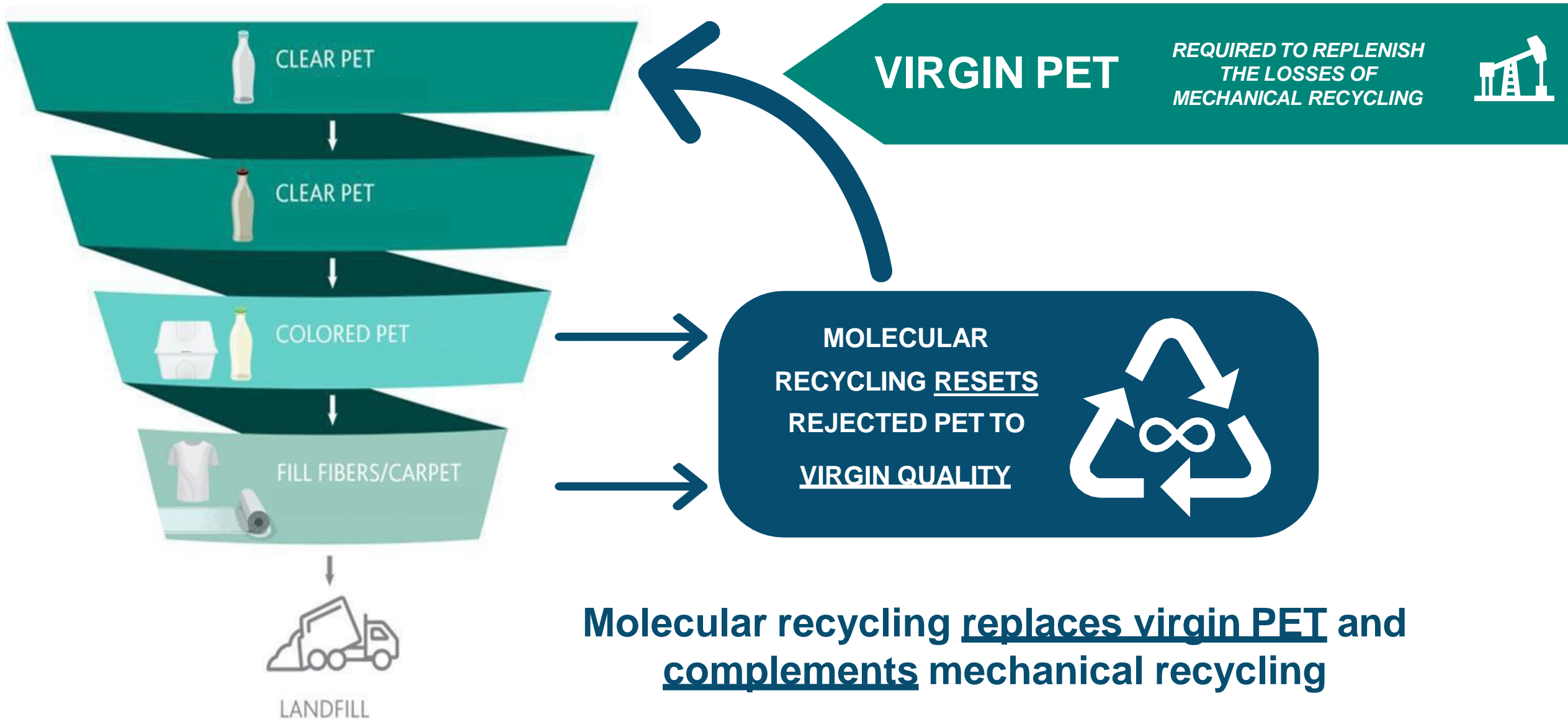


If feedstock
is
95%
polyester
rich

PRT has among the highest %
of material recovery rates amongst
chemical recycling technologies.

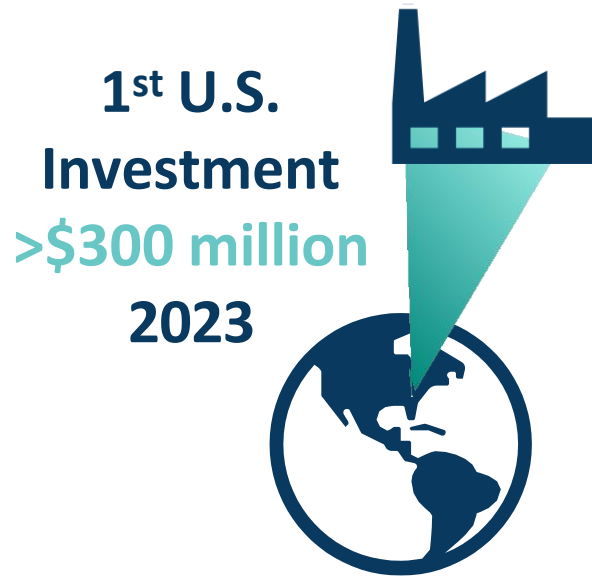
87%
Of feedstock
turns into
high-quality
plastics
again.

Molecular recycling disrupts the downward spiral, eliminating both landfilled PET and virgin PET

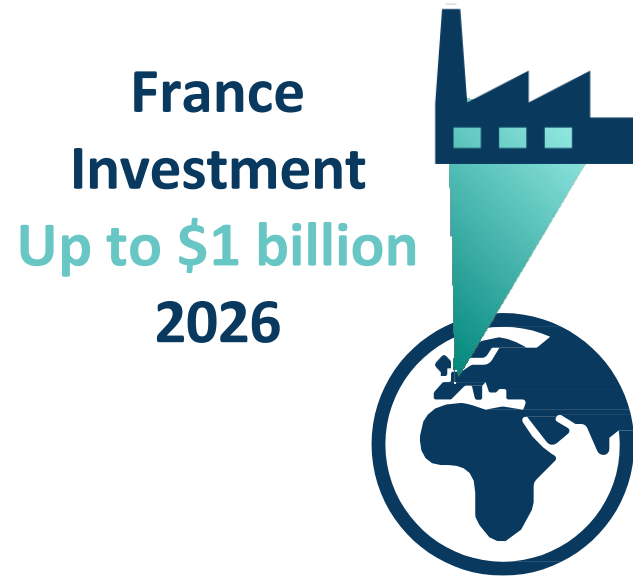


Eastman is moving to catalyze circularity for PET

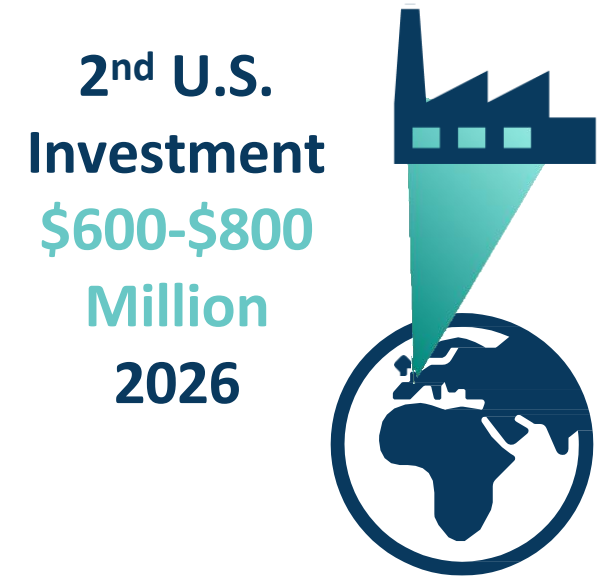
these investments would keep close to 400,000 metric tons of waste from landfill or incineration annually



Supported by EMN specialty plastics primarily for durable applications



Supported by French government and leading brands such as P&G, LVMH, L'Oreal, Danone, Clarins & Estee Lauder



EMN and PEP are completing a definitive agreement that would be the baseload volume for investment

Thank you! Questions?

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