



Midland Oil Refinery Ltd.

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2. INTRODUCTION

2.1 Overview

Midland Oil Refinery Ltd. is primarily a recycling/recovery specialist, although it does manufacture new products that complement and enhance its primary business.

Reconditioning of spent industrial oils

Midland Oil Refinery Ltd. Specialises in the laundering of industrial and process oils. The process is one of dehydration, sterilisation and filtration followed by viscosity adjustment and additive replenishment. The resulting products provide an equivalent performance to the original new oil with substantial cost and environmental advantages.

Manufacture of new oils

New oils are blended using virgin base mineral oils and proven additive packages to produce premium quality products. All mineral oils are formulated to be readily recoverable.

Manufacture of environmental grade oils

Spent oils are reconditioned and blended to produce Midland Oil Refinery Ltd. Branded environmental grade products with performance equal to that of new oils but at reduced cost.

Recovery of industrial degreasers

Trichlorethylene, npb and other industrial degreasers are recovered, either as a laundering service or to be sold as Midland Oil Refinery Ltd. Branded products.

Recovery of specialty chemicals

A range of specialty chemicals and oils are recovered using a Luwa wiped film evaporator or pilot-plant sized Short Path Distillation Unit.

Manufacture of petroleum wash products

Midland Oil Refinery Ltd. Manufactures a unique petroleum wash for the steel industry.

Supply of factored products

Midland Oil Refinery Ltd. Acts as a secondary tier supplier to major oil companies. Factored quality products such as greases and synthetic lubricants can be supplied.



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3. History of the Halesowen site

Pre 1850	Historically, the Halesowen area was mined extensively for coal and Old Hawne Colliery, which closed in 1850, once occupied the site. Mining continued at nearby New Hawne Colliery until 1897.
1884	OS maps show all that remained of the colliery was two redundant shafts indicated beyond the site boundary. The majority of mines in the area had closed by the early 1900's.
1955	Hayseech Iron Foundry established to the east of the site and Hayseech Engineering to the south west.
1958	Midland Oil Refineries Ltd. formed.
1967	Oil refinery constructed, occupying half the current area and comprising works and offices adjacent to Shelah Road with tank farm to the rear.
1974	Midland Oil Refinery Ltd. acquired by Foseco Ltd.
1988	Site extended to the east and the Luwa Plant constructed.
1991	Midland Oil Refinery Ltd. acquired by Lanstar Ltd., a privately owned waste management company based in Manchester. The Lanstar Group came into being with the purchase of the Paisley site of Highgate & Job in 1992.
2000	Lanstar Ltd. acquired by Cleansing Services Group, a privately owned waste management company based in Southampton.
2004	Cleansing Service Group Lanstar acquired by Midland Oil Refinery Ltd.