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## Peter Greven GmbH & Co. KG

**Foundation** 

**1923** 

Turnover

> 100 million € (2015)

### Employees

~ 235

### Branches

- Lubricants Industry
- Paper Industry
- Plastics Industry
- Building Industry
- Rubber Industry
- Food / Feed Industry
- Cosmetics Industry
- Pharmaceutical Industry

### Key products

- Metallic Soaps
- Alkaline Soaps
- Esters
- Dispersions

## Key brands

 LIGALUB®, SERFAX®, LIGASTAR®, LIGAPHOB® LIGAFLUID®, LIGAFOOD® LIGAFEED®, LIGAMED®







# Company

Peter Greven is a middle-sized, family owned company with headquarters in Bad Münstereifel, Germany. Since its foundation in 1923, the company developed to an established producer of oleochemical additives for use in diverse industrial applications. Throughout the broad product range of Peter Greven, all products are based on natural and renewable raw materials. Continuous development and a straight focus on customer requirements made Peter Greven a global player for the supply of biobased additives. Today, production facilities in Bad Münstereifel (Germany), Venlo (The Netherlands) and Penang (Malaysia) as well as sales offices in France and the US are part of the Peter Greven Group.

# **Product Portfolio**

Peter Greven's product portfolio is composed of Metallic Soaps, Alkaline Soaps, Esters and Dispersions. All products are based on natural and renewable resources and the main raw materials used by Peter Greven are tallow and vegetable based fatty acids. The majority of the products produced at the headquarters in Bad Münstereifel are based on tallow while products from Venlo and Penang solely contain vegetable fatty acids.

## **Research & Development**

For Peter Greven continuous improvement and development are key factors of successful corporate activity. It is necessary to enhance the existing product portfolio and to develop new additives to meet changing customer requirements. For that reason, Peter Greven put a new, state of the art laboratory in operation at its headquarters in Bad Münstereifel in 2014. There the qualified employees are working on optimising and developing products. Additionally Peter Greven puts a great emphasis on working together with customers to create customised solutions in order to meet the customer requirements in the best way possible.

# **Sustainability**

Sustainability plays an important role for Peter Greven. In order to reduce our influence on the environment continuously, we improve our Environmental and Energy Management Systems steadily.

Moreover we are a member of RSPO (Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil), a non-profit association supporting the production of sustainable palm oil, since 2010. In 2014 we were able to offer the first RSPO Mass Balance certified products at our site in VenIo. Since then our product range of certified products grew steadily and meanwhile we also offer Segregated certified Stearates.

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## **Peter Greven Lubricant Additives**

As sustainability gets more important, also biodegradable lubricants based on renewable raw materials gain in importance. For use in such bio lubricants, Peter Greven offers a broad range of esters under the brand name **LIGALULB**. To ensure the best product performance for the different applications of all esters, they are tested by means of different methods, which are specially adapted for the lubricant industry. Long-term cold behaviour, aging behaviour and biodegradability are only a few of all the analysis.

## LuSC-List

In addition to the multiple fields of application, some of Peter Greven's products offer the advantage to be mentioned on LuSC-List. The Lubricants Substance Classification List (LuSC-list) is a list which contains substances and trademarks that are tested regarding different criteria, for example biodegradability. Through usage of LuSC-listed products, the approval for European Ecolabel is much easier.

### **RSPO** certificate

In 2015 Peter Greven got certified for the production of RSPO Mass Balance certified esters and therefore is the first producer in Europe that is able to offer this type of products to customers all over the world.

## **Peter Greven Food Additives**

Oleochemical additives are part of our daily lives – but we are often not aware that these additives are essential auxiliaries used in the food and nutraceutical industry. The food industry has special needs and requirements regarding the use of additives. Therefore, our brand LIGAFOOD offers products, which have been developed according to the food requirements.

As a result, our products

- are produced with vegetable raw materials
- are free from impurities (e.g. dioxins, pesticides and heavy metals)
- are manufactured according to HACCP food safety standards
- comply with the FDA regulations for direct food contact (GRAS)
- are in accordance with the latest Food Chemical Codex (FCC)
- are awarded with Food Safety Management System FSSC 22000
- offer the opportunity of RSPO MB and SG certified product ranges





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