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FMC begins production of closed transfer crop protection system at Italy facility

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First commercial production of Spotlight Plus 5L with easyconnect technology marks a step forward in safer pesticide handling and sustainable crop protection across Europe

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FMC Corporation has reached a significant manufacturing milestone with the first commercial production of Spotlight Plus 5L integrated with easyconnect Closed Transfer System (CTS) technology at its San Colombano production facility in Italy.

The production campaign will support the initial rollout of the enhanced formulation in the Netherlands, marking FMC's latest effort to improve operator safety while advancing sustainable crop protection practices across the European market.

The easyconnect system is designed to minimize direct contact between operators and crop protection products during mixing and loading operations. By creating a sealed transfer process, the technology helps reduce operator exposure while limiting product spills and environmental contamination during pesticide handling.

The initiative aligns with the European crop protection industry's broader push toward safer product stewardship and supports CropLife Europe's 2030 Protecting People Commitment, which seeks wider adoption of closed transfer systems as part of responsible pesticide use.

The achievement represents the culmination of cross-functional collaboration involving FMC's operations, engineering, packaging, marketing and stewardship teams, alongside external technology partners, to bring advanced handling solutions from development into commercial production.

With closed transfer technologies gaining increasing regulatory and industry attention across Europe, FMC's integration of easyconnect™ into its manufacturing operations underscores the growing emphasis on combining crop protection performance with enhanced user safety and environmental responsibility.

The company expects the technology to strengthen its European crop protection portfolio while contributing to wider industry efforts to improve pesticide handling standards and promote more sustainable agricultural practices.