

## **Tereos is committed to a project to close its Haussimont potato starch mill and redevelop industry at the plant**

**The Tereos cooperative group has been looking to sell its potato starch mill in Haussimont (Marne, 51) since March. In the absence of a buyer, the Tereos cooperative group must now consider another scenario: committing to ceasing activity and instead finding a buyer capable of providing industrial redevelopment at the plant. This project does not affect the 2023/2024 potato starch campaign launching on September 20.**

For 6 months, the cooperative has been focussing on finding a buyer for its potato starch mill. With no potential buyers on the horizon, Tereos must now consider ceasing activity at the potato starch mill and closing the plant.

As an extension of the work it has been doing since March, the cooperative now wishes to find a buyer who can complete an auspicious reindustrialisation project for this plant. Thus the cooperative reaffirms its desire to support the local community by working to maintain industrial activity at the plant.

*"We have taken the time and provided the necessary means to find a solution that would allow the potato starch mill to continue operating. Since we have reached the end of the road in that regard, we now have a responsibility to consider other solutions for the Haussimont plant. We will work with the Haussimont teams (62 employees) to co-construct a transition project; looking for a buyer to launch another industrial activity is an option that we must now explore,"* says Christophe Lescroart, Agricultural and Industrial Director for Europe at Tereos.

The Tereos cooperative group remains fully mobilised to prepare for the launch of the 2023/2024 potato starch campaign on September 20 as planned, supporting the cooperative members in this, in the knowledge that it can count on the commitment of its employees to this end.

### **About Tereos**

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*Tereos is a cooperative group with 11,200 members and recognised expertise in the processing of sugar beet, sugar cane, alfalfa, cereals and potatoes. Thanks to its 43 industrial sites, a presence in 15 countries and the commitment of its 15,800 employees, Tereos supports its customers as closely as possible to their markets, with a wide and complementary range of products.*

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