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### Expanding domestic capacity, but still heavy dependency on import

Although China manufacturers are been making effort to expand their production capacity, they still can't provide enough MEK that China needs. At least, half of MEK needed in China has to be imported.

With so large a gap between the domestic supply and demand, China's MEK market is attracting increasing attention of the global MEK suppliers.

### Many application fields and increasing demand

With its good dissolution performance to all kinds of fibrin derivates, synthetic rubber, grease, and high grade fatty acid, MEK is used in many fields in China, including coating, printing ink, adhesive, synthetic leather industry, magnetic tapes, chemical intermediates production, etc.

With the development of industries of automobiles, electronics, furniture, printing, shoes making, garment and so on, the demand for coating, adhesive, printing ink and synthetic leather will increase. So the demand of the MEK will increase accordingly. However, the demand of MEK from solvent dewaxing and magnetic tapes will remain the same or even decrease.

### Few researchers

Fushun Institute of Petrochemical Research, Sinopec (FRIPP) is the only researcher in China that has mastered the MEK production technology. Their n-butylene hydration then hydrogenation technology has been transferred to many enterprises. All the domestic MEK producers are adopting their technology.

### Developed MEK distribution

The MEK distribution industry is developed in China and the MEK distributors in China are concentrated in Guangdong, Jiangsu and Zhejiang.

China's huge MEK market potential, complicated distribution situation, and future development are worth the attention from players both from China and abroad in this field.

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Jiangsu Lingguang Group, Heilongjiang Haerbin Petrochemical Co., Ltd., Heilongjiang Bluestar Petrochemical Daqing branch, Liaoning Fushun Petrochemical No.2 Factory, Shandong Zibo Qixiang Tengda Chemical Company, etc.

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