

Awards and recognitions

Responsible Care® award for the most improved company

South Africa's chemicals-related organisations coordinate the industry's safety and education inputs through the Chemical and Allied Industries' Association (CAIA), which was founded in 1993 for this purpose. One of CAIA's responsibilities is to be the custodian of Responsible Care® in South Africa. Responsible Care® is the global chemical industry's initiative for continually improving the safety, health and environmental performance of chemical businesses around the world.

Each year the Responsible Care® award is presented in two categories, the one being for manufacturers, traders and waste managers, while the other is awarded to hauliers. These awards recognise exceptional year-on-year improvements in specific categories:

- Management commitment
- Community interaction
- Pollution prevention and resource efficiency
- Emergency response
- Health and safety
- Storage and transportation
- Product stewardship
- Process safety.

In this period Omnia distinguished itself from 111 contenders to win the Responsible Care® award in the category of manufacturers/traders/waste managers. Winning this award was due recognition for Omnia Fertilizer's outstanding improvements made between 2011 and 2012 in the areas of:

- Energy use/ton production
- Recordable injuries
- Storage incidents
- Effluent discharge
- Solid waste generation
- Solid waste disposal
- Emissions.

These improvements were supported by Omnia's investments into the division's new production plants, safety processes and systems, emissions control technology and public infrastructure.

Ernst & Young award for excellence in financial reporting

EY rated Omnia's integrated annual report 2012 as "excellent" in EY's prestigious survey, which annually ranks the integrated annual reports of the JSE's top 100 companies. This "excellent" rating places Omnia's report in the top 28 ranked integrated annual reports in EY's 2013 survey.

Grain SA award for agronomist of the year

Kobus van Zyl, a senior agronomist in the Agriculture division, was awarded the top agronomist of the year award by Grain SA.

Sunday Times Top 100 companies – CSI award

Omnia came fifth in the *Sunday Times* CSI category in recognition of its achievement in developing emerging farmers.

Sunday Times Top 100 companies award

The award is based on total return to shareholders over five years, including growth in the share price over the five years, plus dividends over the five years. Omnia Holdings was ranked 46th at a compound annual return of 25,87%.