# NatureWorks

### **GC Circular Living Symposium**

Eamonn Tighe NatureWorks November 12, 2020







#### 150,000 MT

Ingeo PLA plant in Blair, NE USA



**1 Million MT Milestone in 2019** Aggregate volume sold since 2005



Dedicated Applications Development and R&D Facilities



### Jointly owned by Cargill and PTTGC



### **Established global market channels**

- Commercial partnerships with global brands
- Sales team in 15 countries across North America, Latin America, Europe, and Asia



# Strong environmental expertise and product characteristics

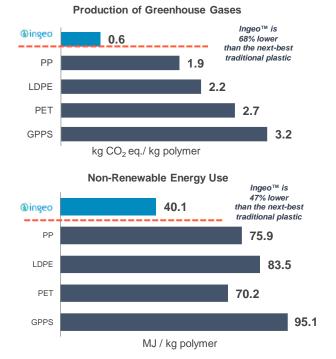
- Peer reviewed LCA's and eco-profile demonstrate smaller carbon footprint and lower fossil energy use
- Products enable portfolio of end-of-life options
- Dedicated internal team for understanding environmental and end-of-life impacts



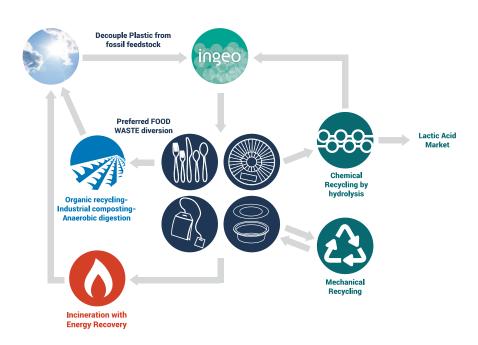


### Sustainable from the beginning to the end

#### Low Impact Manufacture



#### After-Use Options

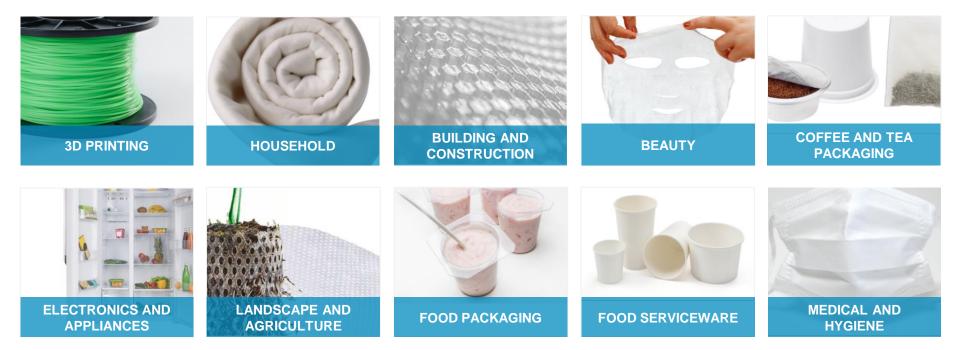


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### Markets for Ingeo continue to evolve







Changing external forces are having a measurable impact on growth markets across a range of applications

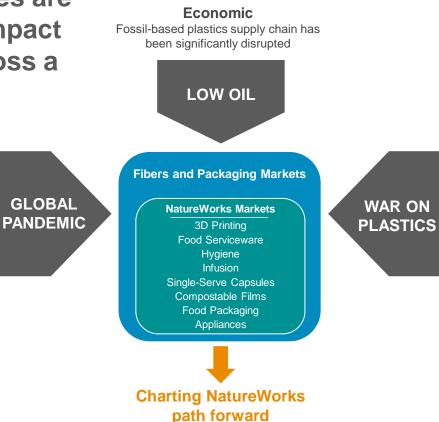
**Pandemic** 

New focus on how plastics

& resulting products

contribute to consumer &

public safety



#### Environmental

Existing environmental, legislative, and corporate sustainability drivers continue



# Supporting the use of Ingeo in PPE during the global pandemic

3D printing industry and our supply chain has demonstrated speed & flexibility in emergency manufacturing



'A worldwide hackathon': Hospitals turn to crowdsourcing and 3D printing amid equipment shortages The efforts come as supply shortages loom in one of the biggest challenges for health care





vstems around the world

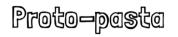
### 3D PRINTERS ARE ON The Front Lines of The Covid-19 Pandemic

Massive PPE shortages pushed DIY volunteers to get creative By Nick Start | @mckstatt | May 25, 2020, 9:30am EDT



# **Matter**Hackers



















### In EU, new Nespresso-compatible capsule launch and large brands are putting Ingeo-based capsules on store shelves





## Demand for compostable tea bags from brands continues unabated in nonwoven & woven structures

9th March 2020

# Plastic in tea bags - the switch begins!

Posted in Environment.



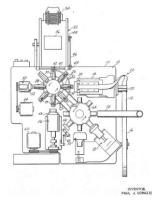


### Wingeo by NatureWorks

# Simple Paper Cup?

### Safe Serviceware 🥆

- Certified compostable, repulpable, & recyclable
- FDA compliant
- No taste or odor impact
- Approach 100% biobased

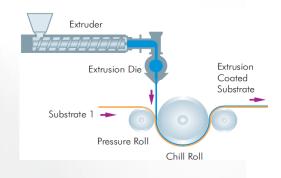


### Cup Making

- Tougher coating for pinhole free cup at fastest production speeds
- Improved flow and penetration into paperboard to reduce coating weights and improve cup sealing range

### **Melt Processing**

- Modeled the process of coating paper to recommend optimizations that increase output and line speeds by 150-200%
- Stable web for faster line speeds, lower coating weights, less scrap





# Supporting the use of Ingeo in PPE during the global pandemic

### NatureWorks Partners with the Nonwovens Institute to Support Production of 10 Million N95 Masks for Healthcare Workers Fighting COVID-19

- Long partnership with NWI & previously developed spunbond technology came together for a faster, better way to make N95 surgical masks
- Bicomponent fiber made with PP & Ingeo increases processing efficiency by up to 30%
- Early tests show up to N99 levels of filtration
- New masks are reusable unlike traditional meltblown
  nonwoven surgical masks



A Fort Bragg soldier uses Ingeo-based material created by the Nonwovens Institute to create face masks during the COVID-19 pandemic.



## The pandemic has confirmed...

- Plastic and single-use has important performance benefits for hygiene & critical applications
- Importance of sustainability, a low carbon footprint, and reducing plastic waste
- Biomaterials, like Ingeo, offers a unique solution







