



Press Release

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Laïta recently registered with the CNCA and approved to export infant formulas to China

Even Santé Industrie, the health and nutrition division of Laïta, just received approval from Chinese authorities (CNCA - *Certification and Accreditation Administration of the People's Republic of China*), **allowing them to produce infant formulas for China.**

This approval, essential to conquer the Chinese infant nutrition market, was extended on **September 28th following a stringent audit**, last step of the assessment process conducted by Chinese authorities.

This formal recognition will allow Even Santé Industrie to develop its presence on the Chinese market with liquid infant nutrition offerings.

It also sends a **very positive message to Laïta**. The dairy cooperative located in Western France is currently building a new facility in Créhen (Côtes d'Armor, Brittany, France), plant which is expected to produce **20,000 tons of infant formulas packaged for retail (in cans)** intended for worldwide export, and specifically to the Chinese market.

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Details of the approval and registration with CNCA

The application to get approved to export to China was filed in 2013, when the corresponding regulations were implemented in China. Additional materials were provided in 2014 and in 2015 upon request from Chinese authorities. Even Santé Industrie representatives met the audit team appointed by the CNCA in Beijing in November 2015. Following this meeting, the trip of the audit team to Ploudaniel was approved, late November 2015. The audit was conducted over a full day and included systematic verification of compliance with applicable Chinese legislation, while checking milk and raw materials quality as well as ensuring the perfect control of manufacturing processes. It is only 10 months later that Even Santé industrie had the honor of receiving the Chinese approval.

Laïta, in a nutshell

Laïta, dairy cooperative located in Western France, subsidiary of Even, has a mission to sustainably enhance the value of the raw milk gathered from its 3,420 French dairy farms. All 2,670 Laïta employees are continuously working towards the enhanced satisfaction of their customers, located in over 110 countries. Key player of the European dairy industry, Laïta is strengthening its position thanks to strong and active brands.

