**Fire causes major damage to compounder Michael Day Enterprises**



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Trevor Day

A Sept. 7 fire caused major damage to Michael Day Enterprises LLC, a compounder based in Wadsworth, Ohio.

No one was injured in the fire, which broke out around 8 a.m., according to a local media report. The cause of the fire remains under investigation, the report added.

In an email to customers and suppliers, MDE Vice President Trevor Day said "a large majority of our building and warehouse has been devastated."

"At this point, we are not able to continue production in our current location," he added. "We are working on making plans to get all necessary compounding and auxiliary equipment back up and running in a new location.

"As a result, our production and sales efforts will be greatly affected. We are working to minimize the impact to our suppliers and customers as expediently as we can," he wrote. "In the meantime, we will plan on supporting you as best we can through this process and minimize the delays to your operation as we make progress in resurrecting our compounding facility."

MDE operated two single-screw extrusion lines and one twin-screw line — as well as recycling equipment — at a 40,000-square-foot location in Wadsworth that employed around 20. MDE also featured a quality control lab and offered blending, toll compounding and related services.

Michael Day, Trevor's father, founded the firm in 1981 after working for materials suppliers Celanese Corp. and A. Schulman Inc. MDE [rebounded](https://www.plasticsnews.com/news/new-day-rising-michael-day-enterprises-alive-and-well-new-compounds) from a 2009 bankruptcy, when it sold its assets to Radici Group, first as a resin brokerage and in 2013 re-established itself as a materials provider.