

Title (en)
PROCESSES FOR THE ISOMERIZATION OF NORMAL BUTANE TO ISOBUTANE

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VERFAHREN ZUR ISOMERISIERUNG VON NORMALBUTAN ZU ISOBUTAN

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PROCEDES D'ISOMERISATION DE BUTANE NORMAL EN ISOBUTANE

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Abstract (en)
[origin: WO2006099566A1] In a normal butane isomerization process where the isomerization effluent (108, 114) is fractionated in a deisobutanizer (116) operated such that a lower boiling fraction (118) is provided containing at least 80 mass-% isobutane and a higher boiling fraction (122) containing normal butane and at least 10 mass-% isobutane. The higher boiling fraction (122) is contacted with a selectively permeable membrane (124) to provide a permeate (126) containing normal butane-containing and a retentate (128) containing at least 80 mass-% isobutane. The preferred membranes are sieving membranes having a C₄ Permeate Flow Index of at least 0.01 and a C₄ Permeate Flow Ratio of at least 1.25:1.

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