

Abstract of the Invention

A composition comprising a coprecipitated
magnesia-lanthana-alumina ($\text{MgO-La}_2\text{O}_3\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$) wherein the
MgO component is present as microcrystalline phase,
5 having a BET (N_2) surface area of at least $130 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}$,
preferably part of which contains a catalytic
oxidation and/or reducing promoter metal such as
ceria, vanadia and/or titania, is combined with an FCC
catalyst which is used to catalytically crack a
10 hydrocarbon feedstock that contains metal and/or
sulfur.

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