

PWO makes preparations for growth in Mexico

Oberkirch, October 31, 2007 – Progress-Werk Oberkirch AG is currently positioning its high-tech expertise and competitive strength in Mexico. In preparation of planned expansion over the coming years PWO's Mexican subsidiary CARTEC, S.A. de C.V., has purchased neighbouring land at its current production facility. Construction work on the extension of the plant is to commence as early as 2008. In accordance with PWO's proven strategy, the expansion programme is to be implemented in line with incoming orders.

Within this context, CARTEC will also acquire the assets of a tool manufacturer previously operating as a sole supplier to the company. Thus, at PWO's Mexican plant all resources required for the series production of state-of-the-art metal components and subsystems will be built up.

The investment volume for the purchase of the above-mentioned land and tool manufacturing assets amounts to approx. USD 1.6 million.

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