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Growth in Brazil

- Further plant for passenger car and truck emission conversion systems
- Products for future emission standards
- Start of production for new customer orders in 2022

Esslingen / Sorocaba (Brazil) 30 September 2021 – **Growth with new customer orders and an expanded product portfolio: Purem by Eberspaecher is expanding its activities in Brazil. From 2022 the company will manufacture complete exhaust gas aftertreatment systems and components including catalytic converters and mufflers for both passenger cars and trucks in a new production plant.**

“We have been successfully producing exhaust emission conversion systems in Brazil for over a decade already. Now we have won over still more customers on this basis, since in future we will be offering products that satisfy the forthcoming local emission standards”, announces an enthused Dr. Thomas Waldhier, CEO of Purem by Eberspaecher, about the expansion. Since 2010 the company has been active on the Brazilian market with a production plant at Sorocaba. The former site, which lies about 100 km west of Sao Paulo, could not be further expanded, and so the decision was taken to move to the future plant just a few kilometers away. The roughly 160 employees will accompany the move, planned for the start of 2022. A further 60 or so workplaces will also be created.

Digital factory with over 20 production lines

Exhaust systems will be produced for leading French and Japanese automobile manufacturers and international commercial vehicle manufacturers. With a floor area of more than 19,000 square meters, the plant will be similar in size to the recently constructed production site at Ramos Arizpe, Mexico. About 14,500 sqm of this are

earmarked as manufacturing and logistics areas. There are also office spaces for the administrative departments. The exhaust components and solutions will be manufactured using state-of-the-art welding and forming processes on more than 20 production lines. To ensure high quality, digital methods have been used before the very start of production. This included, for example, digital simulations used in the manufacturing- and layout planning. The site offers further opportunities for expansion to allow for future growth.

Clean mobility for future emission standards

“We have set ourselves the objective of clean mobility,” stresses Waldhier. “The emission conversion systems that we develop and manufacture for trucks are making a significant contribution to emission reductions in long-distance transportation in South America.” In Brazil, the exhaust-emission standard P8 will apply to commercial vehicles from 2023. Comparable to the EURO 6 guideline in Europe, it means that all buses and trucks built from January 2023 must satisfy this emission standard. Additionally, the exhaust-emission standard PL7 (comparable to EURO 6) will come into effect from 2022 for passenger cars. The presence of Purem by Eberspaecher in North and South America is of increasing importance to the company, since with its know-how and its products it is capable of reliably satisfying the increasing demands for emission reduction. In addition to the production plant at Sorocaba, the Exhaust Technology Division is also represented by a production plant in Ramos Arizpe, Mexico, and six manufacturing and development sites in the USA. Also in the USA, a just-in-time plant is currently being constructed in Louisville, Kentucky, that will create about 200 new workplaces.

Caption:

From 2022 Purem by Eberspaecher will supply exhaust technologies for passenger cars and commercial vehicles from a new plant at Sorocaba, Brazil.

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About Purem by Eberspaecher:

Purem by Eberspaecher is a subsidiary of the Esslingen-based Eberspaecher Group. To achieve clean and quiet mobility, around 7,000 employees develop and produce exhaust and acoustic systems for passenger cars, CVs, and off-road vehicles. The technologies make a significant contribution to meeting the strictest emission standards and noise guidelines. Its customer base includes the world's leading vehicle manufacturers. In 2020, the area within the group of companies generated revenue of around 4.4 billion euros.

About Eberspaecher:

With approximately 10,000 employees at 80 locations worldwide, the Eberspaecher Group is one of the automotive industry's leading system developers and suppliers. The family business, headquartered in Esslingen am Neckar, stands for innovative solutions in exhaust technology, automotive electronics and thermal management for a broad range of vehicle types. In combustion or hybrid engines and in e-mobility, the components and systems from Eberspaecher ensure greater comfort, higher safety and a clean environment. Eberspaecher is paving the way for future technologies such as mobile and stationary fuel cell applications, synthetic fuels as well as the use of hydrogen as an energy carrier. In 2020, the Group generated revenue of more than 4.9 billion euros.