

Media Release

Divestment of the Natural Fibers and Textile Components Business Units

Oerlikon, Jinsheng Group and China Development Bank sign agreement in Berlin to support financing

Pfäffikon SZ / Berlin, May 27, 2013 – Representatives from Oerlikon, the Jinsheng Group and the China Development Bank (CDB) yesterday signed a Cooperation Framework Agreement (CFA). With this agreement, CDB will provide the financing to the Jinsheng Group for the acquisition of the Natural Fibers and Textile Components Businesses from Oerlikon. The ceremony took place in the German Chancellery in Berlin in the presence of Angela Merkel, Chancellor of Germany, and Li Keqiang, Premier of the People's Republic of China. Other companies attending the ceremony were Siemens, VW, BMW and BASF.

The agreement to divest Oerlikon Textile's Natural Fibers and Textile Components Business Units to the Jinsheng Group of China was signed on December 3, 2012: "I am very pleased that with this agreement we made another major step forward towards the closing of this strategic transaction", said Oerlikon CEO Jürg Fedier. Closing is expected in Q2 2013 subject to the merger control approval by the Chinese Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM). This strategic divestment will allow Oerlikon to focus on its manmade fiber business.

In 2012, the Group recorded sales of approximately CHF 1.1 billion in China which accounted for 28 % of total sales. Oerlikon currently employs more than 2 800 people in China and operates ten Coating Centers and manufacturing plants in five locations serviced by a sales network covering all major cities. "China is one of our most important markets today and we will continue to invest and expand our footprint in this country", Oerlikon CEO Fedier said.

About Oerlikon

Oerlikon (SIX: OERL) is a leading high-tech industrial group specializing in machine and plant engineering. The Company is a provider of innovative industrial solutions and cutting-edge technologies for textile manufacturing, drive technology, vacuum systems, coating and advanced nanotechnology. A Swiss company with a tradition going back over 100 years, Oerlikon is a global player with nearly 12 700 employees at over 160 locations in 34 countries and reported sales of CHF 2.9 billion in 2012. In 2012 the Company invested CHF 106 million in R&D, with over 1 000 specialists working on future products and services. In most areas, the operative businesses rank either first or second in their respective global markets.

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