

Press Release**Texturing: Patent infringement in China****Judgement affirmed in the second instance**

Remscheid, Germany / Shanghai, China, 4. February 2015 – In the legal dispute about two patent infringements of Oerlikon Barmag Texturing Technologies by a Chinese competitor, the Higher People's Court of Fujian Province upheld Oerlikon Barmag's application.

A cessation of the patent infringement and a compensation for damages, were obtained against a yarn manufacturer from Quanzhou in the Chinese province Fujian, who had purchased the machines in question. The judgment of the first instance was upheld on appeal and resulted in a decommissioning of the machines.

As a manufacturer of innovative leading textile machinery and equipment, Oerlikon Barmag feels very strongly about the effective protection of internally generated intellectual property. Peter Lau, Senior IP Counsel at Oerlikon Manmade Fibers, very much appreciates the fact that now, also Chinese authorities and Chinese courts, consequently sanction intellectual property right violations, and the jurisdiction in China will, in the future be strengthened by specific Intellectual Property(IP) courts: "Inventive spirit needs a protected space, in which it can unfold. This is the basis of innovative products and technologies. China is an important market for us which we want to furthermore supply with technologically sophisticated products comprising a large share of engineering as well as research and development activities. In this respect, we welcome this development and will also in the future, not tolerate any violation of our property rights in China."

Significantly more patent lawsuits pending in China

The figures confirm that the more consequent, strong actions of the Chinese State with regard to property rights, is not just a subjective evaluation: According to the German newspaper Handelsblatt, several ten thousand cases per year are being negotiated in Chinese courts, with an upward trend. Not only foreign companies act as plaintiffs; Chinese companies are increasingly insisting on the protection of intellectual property. Judgments are usually given against the infringer of the patent as well as against the buyer of the infringing product.

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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 manmade fibers manufacturing, drive systems, vacuum, surface solutions and advanced nanotechnology. A Swiss company with a tradition going back over 100 years, Oerlikon is a global player with around 16 000 employees at over 170 locations in 35 countries and pro-forma sales of CHF 3.6 billion in 2013. The Company invested in 2013 CHF 146 million in R&D (pro-forma 2013), with over 1 200 specialists



working on future products and services. In most areas, the operative businesses rank either first or second in their respective global markets.

About Oerlikon Segment Manmade Fibers

Oerlikon Manmade Fibers with the product brands Oerlikon Barmag and Oerlikon Neumag is the world market leader for filament spinning systems used for manufacturing manmade fibers, texturing machines, BCF systems, staple fiber spinning systems and artificial turf systems and – as an engineering services provider – offers solutions along the entire textile value added chain. As a future oriented company, the Oerlikon Group segment's research and development is driven by energy-efficiency and sustainable technologies. With the expansion of the product range to include polycondensation systems and their key components, the company now caters to the entire process – from the monomer all the way through to the textured yarn. The primary Oerlikon Barmag markets are in Asia, with Oerlikon Neumag's main markets in the US, Turkey and China. Correspondingly, the companies – with almost 2500 employees – have a worldwide presence in 120 countries as part of the Oerlikon Manmade Fibers network of production, sales and distribution and service organizations. At the R&D centers in Remscheid, Neumuenster and Chemnitz, highly-qualified engineers and technicians develop innovative and technologically-leading products for tomorrow's world.

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