

## PERLON<sup>®</sup> - The Filament Company Invests in its Global Locations

Just over a year after the merger of PerlonNextrusion and Hahl-Pedex into the Perlon Group, the worldwide leading manufacturer of synthetic filaments, the company is consistently implementing important measures for its internationalisation strategy:

### China: Perlon (Zhejiang) Co., Ltd, Haining



#### Contract signing for the new building construction at the production site in China

The signing ceremony for the new building construction at the production site in China took place in Haining City at the beginning of 2017 in the presence of the top management team of the Perlon Group. The completion and the commissioning of this so-called 'build-to suit' project is a further milestone for the Perlon Group because the capacities in Haining no longer suffice. The company is therefore building a new modern production hall and an administration building and thus further implementing its expansion strategy in China. The significant enlargement of the production site will allow the Perlon Group to manufacture not only the current filaments for PMC use (paper machine clothing) in the Asian market but also other products from the comprehensive product portfolio of the Perlon Group.

### USA: Hahl Inc., Lexington – South Carolina



#### Breaking ground for a 650m<sup>2</sup> warehouse

The Perlon Group is also expanding its production facility in the USA. The construction of a new 650m<sup>2</sup> warehouse for finished products on the company site in Lexington will provide the company with the urgently required space in the production hall for synthetic filaments. The old production hall that also served as storage space in the past will in future be used only for manufacture. The

conversion of existing production facilities has already started and an additional manufacturing system is already on its way to the United States. These measures are necessary to allow the expansion of the product portfolio to include monofilaments for PMC use. The completion and the commissioning of the warehouse are therefore being given top priority and are scheduled for May 2017. The storage of pallets will then be possible on five floors. The expansion of production and the construction of a new modern warehouse are important steps for the expansion strategy of the Perlon Group in the USA.

Perlon's Managing Director Florian Kisling said: "Our business, especially in the PMC segment, is very international. That is why we are continuing the internationalisation of our company."

#### **Perlon at the Techtexil 2017 trade fair in Frankfurt am Main in Hall 4.1, Stand C14:**

##### **Innovative Product – AntiStat dissipates static charges before sparks occur**

The Perlon Group will exhibit its three product ranges, **QualiFil®** – monofilaments, **Hahl** – synthetic brush filaments und abrasive filaments and **Pedex** – filaments for dental and personal hygiene applications, at the Techtexil trade fair in Frankfurt from 9 to 12 May 2017. The focus will be on the AntiStat product, a polyester-based bicomponent monofilament with carbon in the sheath. The low resistance of only 104 Ohm/cm helps to dissipate static charge during industrial manufacturing processes. The Perlon Group will surprise its trade fair visitors with further innovative bicomponent solutions.

#### **About the Company**

Perlon® - The Filament Company – is the world's leading manufacturer of synthetic filaments and generates annual sales of above 125 million Euro, employs more than 750 people and operate from seven locations in Germany, USA, China and Korea.

Perlon is a member of the Serafin diversified group of companies, whose family philosophy of entrepreneurial tradition dates back more than 150 years. Following the principle "responsibility derived from tradition", Serafin invests in, and develops companies whilst applying this foundation with all stakeholders. The group of companies employs 3000 people and generates revenues of €500m. Serafin's development is complimented through the expertise of advisory board members Prof. Dr. Bernd Gottschalk, Wolfgang Ley and Prof. Dr. Heinrich von Pierer.