

As partners, Kautex Maschinenbau and Rikutec offer customers an expanded portfolio and more service capabilities

Powerful Cooperation between Blow Molding Equipment Manufacturers

Bonn/Altenkirchen – Effective August 1, 2010, Kautex Maschinenbau takes over international sales and service for Rikutec equipment. Both companies manufacture blow molding machines, but cater to different segments of the blow molding industry. They collaborated already on several projects in the past. „Through our focused partnering in Service and Sales, blow molding machine buyers will benefit in the future from a single source supply of a wider range of equipment solutions and service capabilities“, explained Andreas Lichtenauer, Managing Director of Kautex Maschinenbau. “The intended cooperation is not a joint venture. Both companies will remain separate corporate entities.“ “With Rikutec’s multilayer accumulator heads, Kautex Maschinenbau GmbH will expand its product portfolio and service business in the area of large industrial packaging applications“, added Rikutec Managing Director, Bodo Richter. “In return we will participate in Kautex’ global sales and service network.“

Internationally successful

Rikutec is an internationally recognized machine manufacturer with a total of 130 employees. The company is structured in six divisions: Machine & Plant Construction, Industrial Packaging, Water & Environment, Custom Molding, Water Sports and Energy Management. In blow molding, the company specializes in large-capacity containers and heat storage tanks, in addition to IBCs and blow molded kayaks and canoes. Multilayer accumulator heads for containers up to 10,000 liter capacity are the company’s specialty in blow molding machine design. Rikutec is located in Altenkirchen, Germany. Its Industrial Packaging Division has sales offices in the USA and Korea. For additional information about the company and its products visit www.rikutec.de

Kautex Maschinenbau GmbH generates annual sales of 70 Million Euro with 250 employees in Germany plus an additional 150 outside of Germany and is one of the leaders in extrusion blow molding technology worldwide. Kautex customers are international automobile manufacturers and its suppliers as well as companies in the packaging industry. Kautex is headquartered in Bonn-Holzlar, operates fully owned subsidiaries in Italy, China and the USA and works with a global network of sales and service organizations. Located in close proximity to Kautex headquarters in Bonn is Kautex Textron. Both companies are under different ownership since the mid 1970s and operate independently of each other in different business sectors. For additional information about Kautex Maschinenbau GmbH and its products visit www.kautex-group.com.