

## **MBB SE acquires majority in machine manufacturer Aumann**

- Aumann is a leading machine manufacturer for coil winding technology and e-mobility
- Rapidly growing company with revenue of around €33 million and 160 employees
- Aumann and MBB Fertigungstechnik form machine manufacturing group with revenue of more than €130 million and 500 employees
- MBB SE forecasting significant revenue and earnings growth in 2016

Berlin, 19 November 2015 – MBB SE (ISIN DE000A0ETBQ4), a family-owned, medium-sized company, has acquired 75% of shares in the Aumann Group from its sole managing partner. Aumann is a leading manufacturer of systems for coil winding of electric motors and for e-mobility. Through the collaboration of Aumann and MBB Fertigungstechnik, MBB and the managing partner of the Aumann Group intend to meet the rapid rise in demand for e-mobility solutions and are forecasting significant growth.

The Aumann Group ([www.aumann.com](http://www.aumann.com)) has experienced strong growth in recent years, and will generate profitable revenue of around €33 million with roughly 160 employees in 2015. Founded in 1936, Aumann is a leading manufacturer of highly automated coil winding systems with locations in Espelkamp (East Westphalia), Berlin and the US. The company's products are used in the automotive industry for applications in the field of e-mobility and electrification of cars. Customers in the area of electric household appliances and in other industries use Aumann systems to achieve the best possible energy efficiency of their products. As part of the MBB Group, Aumann will continue to operate under its current name and at its current locations under the established management.

Aumann will cooperate with MBB Fertigungstechnik to manage its intended growth. Together, the companies form a machine manufacturing group with expertise in coil winding technology, assembly technology, joining technology, wire enamelling and tooling. The total revenue in machine manufacturing will amount to €130 million with around 500 qualified employees working at independent locations in Germany, China and the US.

MBB's equity investment in Aumann constitutes the acquisition of a highly successful company in an extremely promising market. Like many of MBB's companies, Aumann also has its roots in East Westphalia.

MBB's forecast for the 2015 financial year remains unchanged with consolidated revenue of €250 million and earnings per share of more than €1.75. The annualised revenue level for the MBB Group is now at €285 million. The equity investment in Aumann will contribute to further growth in MBB's revenue and earnings for the financial year 2016. The parties have agreed not to disclose the purchase price. MBB financed the investment from own funds. Even after this acquisition, MBB will have sufficient funding for further growth, including acquisitions.

About MBB SE:

MBB SE is a family-owned, medium-sized group that has expanded steadily since it was founded in 1995 through organic growth and the acquisition of companies. Increasing long-term value of the independent subsidiaries and the group as a whole is at the heart of its business model which has been highly profitable from the outset. Substantial growth and sustainable returns will remain MBB SE's goal in the future as well.

Further information on MBB SE can be found on the Internet at

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