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REMA TEC is automating WENKO's new goods distribution center with a systematic solution from Interroll

Sant'Antonino, Switzerland/Hückelhoven-Baal, Germany, September 27, 2017. Interroll and REMA TEC are supporting WENKO-WENSELAAR GmbH & Co. KG with a complete automation solution for intermediate storage and order picking. The solution is currently being implemented in the company's goods distribution center in Hückelhoven-Baal, Germany. WENKO, an innovative family-owned company based in Hilden, Germany, offers a range of around 6,000 products which are used all over the home and particularly in the bathroom, kitchen, laundry and living areas.

The innovative automation solution was developed in collaboration with REMA TEC GmbH from Bruchsal, Germany. REMA TEC, a system integrator of material handling solutions, has been worked for well-known companies from a range of different industries for 20 years.

Philip Köllner, managing director at WENKO-WENSELAAR GmbH & Co. KG, explains: "Our traditional familyowned company epitomizes practical benefits and innovation in the bathroom, kitchen, laundry and living areas. Every year, we develop around 500 new products, and now have more than 1,000 registered patents and trademark rights. With the modernization of our goods distribution center, we are concentrating our activities in brick-and-mortar retail and e-commerce. This means even better delivery times for our growing customer base."

Increase in efficiency and capacity raises maximum throughput to 4,000 units per hour

With this order, Interroll and REMA TEC are meeting the extremely challenging capacity and efficiency demands that WENKO is making on its new goods distribution center. The automation solution designed for dynamic intermediate storage and order picking of pallets and boxes will enable a throughput of up to 4,000 units per hour to be achieved. The goods are stored and picked on four levels, each of which includes five picking tunnels with highly efficient pick-to-belt material handling technology. This flexible systematic solution, which supports the high innovation cycles in WENKO's product range, uses a large number of Interroll products in seamless combination to ensure a high-performance, reliable application. These include picking lanes for pallets and box flow levels, drum motors throughout almost all of the material handling system, and Interroll Belt Curves. In the 19 sorter end points in Interroll's Crossbelt Sorter, several MSC 50 Magnetic Speed Controllers ensure safe and controlled transportation of the packages from a height of more than 3.5 meters to the ground-level packing stations.

Large number of Interroll products in use

Peter Dippel, owner and CEO of REMA TEC GmbH, states: "As a system integrator of material handling solutions, we count on efficiency and reliability. We have been successfully collaborating with Interroll for years in the interest of our customers. The future-proof automation solution that we developed jointly for WENKO sets standards in cost efficiency and return on investment."

Jörg Mandelatz, managing director of Interroll Fördertechnik GmbH, explains: "We aim to use our solutions to ensure customer satisfaction, with a particular focus on increasing efficiency and productivity. This challenging project is further proof of this. The unique interplay of our products and services—for dynamic storage and sorting, all the way through to intelligent 24 V drive technology—offers WENKO clear added value for achieving its business objectives. Our high quality standards and the scalability of the solution mean that future growth is also taken into consideration."

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About Interroll

The Interroll Group is the leading global provider of material handling solutions. The company was founded in 1959 and has been listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange since 1997. Interroll provides system integrators and OEMs with a wide range of platform-based products and services in these categories: Rollers (conveyor rollers), Drives (motors and drives for conveyor systems), Conveyors & Sorters as well as Pallet & Carton Flow (flow storage systems). Interroll solutions are in operation in express and postal services, e-commerce, airports, the food and beverage industry, fashion, and automotive sectors, and many other manufacturing industries. Among the company's end users are leading brands such as Amazon, Bosch, Coca-Cola, DHL, Nestlé, Procter & Gamble, Siemens, Walmart and Zalando. Headquartered in Switzerland, Interroll has a global network of 32 companies with turnover of around CHF 401.5 million and 2,000 employees (2016).

About WENKO

WENKO-WENSELAAR GmbH & Co. KG, founded in 1959, is among the leading suppliers of innovative product solutions for the bathroom, kitchen, laundry and living areas, with a range of over 6,000 branded items. Across Europe, it is the leading company for attachment systems without drilling for bathroom accessories and laundry baskets. The medium-sized family-owned company stands for high-quality products which are impressive thanks to their excellent benefits for consumers, functional design and a fair price/performance ratio. WENKO possess more than 1,000 patents and trademark rights. The company launches around 500 new products every year in collaboration with trend scouts, inventors and designers. WENKO has around 400 employees across Europe and is actively involved in training future professionals at its Hilden headquarters. The company is managed by brothers Niklas and Philip Köllner.

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About REMA TEC

As a specialist in material handling technology and intralogistics, REMA TEC has been successfully developing and implementing customized technical full-scope solutions for its customers' logistic flows of materials and goods since it was founded in 1997. REMA TEC provides planning, development, production, installation and service support from a single source.

REMA TEC not only managed to find responses to the constantly increasing demands of the market: As a result of continuous technical development, REMA TEC is also able to develop solutions which meet individual automation requirements and therefore ensure that customers' investments are future-proof. Companies from the automotive, food, drinks and pharmaceutical industries, as well as a wide range of retail sectors and e-commerce, place their trust in REMA TEC as a reliable partner for their specific intralogistics challenges.

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