



# klöckner pentaplast

## press release

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### **KLÖCKNER PENTAPLAST ANNOUNCES LAUNCH OF NEW STATE-OF-ART MANUFACTURING EQUIPMENT FOR EUROPEAN MARKET**

**Burgkirchen/Gendorf, Germany – September 6, 2011** – The Klöckner Pentaplast Group announced today the launch of its new center of excellence for PVC and PET shrink-label, adhesive tape, card, and decorative-surfaces films at its Burgkirchen/Gendorf, Germany, site. The center of excellence is part of Klöckner Pentaplast's €40 Mio (\$54 Mio) investment in new state-of-the art manufacturing equipment and technology in Europe to optimize capacity and streamline production processes.

The new equipment encompasses a PET extrusion line, a lamination & embossing line, a coating line, and expanded production capabilities for adhesive tape, as well as a digital printer for decorative-surfaces films. In addition, the investment includes the installation of a new design center and showroom to specifically address the needs of kp's furniture industry customers.

With the new equipment, Klöckner Pentaplast is utilizing the industry's most advanced manufacturing equipment and technology to support the ever-growing demands of the shrink-label, adhesive tape, card, and decorative-surfaces market segments. Klöckner Pentaplast offers the most complete portfolio of films in these markets today.

"With the new center of excellence, we can deliver even higher value to our customers by employing the latest manufacturing technology at one location," notes Dr. Hans-Joachim Kogelnik, President and COO of Klöckner Pentaplast/Europe. "The investment will also strengthen our PET production capabilities and will further enhance our multiple and diverse polymer range of innovative film solutions."

#### **About the Klöckner Pentaplast Group**

The Klöckner Pentaplast Group is the world's leading producer of films for pharmaceutical, medical device, food, electronics, and general-purpose thermoform packaging, as well as printing and specialty applications. Founded in 1965 in Montabaur, Germany, Klöckner Pentaplast has

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grown from its initial facility to 17 current production operations in 11 countries.

The Klöckner Pentaplast Group is wholly owned by affiliates of The Blackstone Group. The company has sales of over €1.024 billion (\$1.4 billion) and employs more than 3,000 people committed to serving customers worldwide. For more information, visit our web site at [www.kpfilms.com](http://www.kpfilms.com).

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