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**New Plant II offers significantly expanded manufacturing and warehouse capacities as well as more efficient production**

### **NORRES Schlauchtechnik moves to new premises**

**NORRES, the Gelsenkirchen based hose manufacturer, has taken up residence in its new home: the refurbished Plant II on the "Am Stadthafen 12-18 site" in Gelsenkirchen was finally ready for occupancy on July 20. The full benefit of the significantly expanded manufacturing capacities can now be leveraged as a result of the move to the new facility. The investment in new plant during the last few months and years will make our production processes both faster and more efficient. NORRES' new headquarters boasts a series of modern energy saving technologies that help protect the environment, such as centrally controlled air conditioning with water chillers and production utilising heat recovery.**

The new Plant II will also benefit for NORRES customers all over the world in a number of ways: The new, central warehouse covering approximately 25,000 m<sup>2</sup> of floor space with state-of-the-art logistics technology and nearly one million metres of hose and one million component parts and also 24 h delivery service. Owing to the extended warehouse capacity, the customers can profit from an even bigger stock and quicker availability of products in larger quantities. The investment in new production equipment and technologies has been similarly worthwhile. Our expanded manufacturing facility is more modern, more streamlined and above all faster, and our processes have been optimised still further. Our already high level of cost-effectiveness is set to take another leap forward. In addition, more production lines can be dedicated to customised solutions. From now on, NORRES will be in a position to meet your needs even more flexibly – thanks not least to our in-house R&D and Engineering departments, which have been the source of many exciting innovations in the past.

Numerous cutting-edge developments in environmental protection, energy saving technologies and efficiency improvements have been consistently implemented in all areas. To take just two examples, the centrally controlled air conditioning reduces energy consumption and creates a room climate that is generally more pleasant. Production lines utilising heat recovery lessen the environmental burden of our manufacturing processes while providing optimum insulation for the buildings.

Back in the summer of 2007, one of the first production facilities in the new plant was officially opened by Frank Baranowski, Lord Mayor of Gelsenkirchen. Other sections of Production and Logistics



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followed in summer 2008. They have now been joined on the Plant II premises by Administration. All business units – from Product Development through Production to Sales – are now united under one roof at the new headquarters. Burkhard Mollen, Proprietor and Managing Director: "The move will shorten the distances between individual departments and speed up the exchange of information to the benefit of our clients. We are now better placed than ever to respond quickly and flexibly to customer requirements."

### **About NORRES**

NORRES Schlauchtechnik GmbH & Co. KG is a leading manufacturer of hoses and hose systems. A medium-sized enterprise, it specialises in the manufacture of industrial hoses for use in the automotive, pharmaceutical, food and chemical sectors as well as in agriculture, mechanical engineering and many other areas. The hoses are used to transport gaseous, liquid, solid, pasty and free-flowing media in a variety of quantities and volumes. NORRES' second main business segment comprises cable protection systems and special products. The portfolio is rounded off with compatible connectors and accessories.

### **Photos:**

The new NORRES plant on the "Am Stadthafen 12-18" site

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