Langfang Hess Building Materials Machinery Co., Ltd., Hebei Province, 065001, China

## Topwerk Group – growth and investment in China

Hess Langfang is expanding its capacity as part of the Topwerk Group global growth strategy and in view of the increasing demand on the Chinese market. The company's production facility will be doubled in size, the existing building modernised, and the staff will be increased especially in the technical department.

The Hess Group has been successfully represented by Hess Langfang in China since 1997. Hess Langfang is responsible for local sales and its own production line. It additionally carries out assembly and commissioning tasks for the entire Topwerk Group in China. Especially during this difficult time of the Covid 19 pandemic, Hess Langfang can rely on its local team of experienced specialists to successfully carry out assembly work for all group members. Hess Group, Prinzing Pfeiffer and SR Schindler orders were able to be implemented and completed smoothly in China despite an entry ban for their German colleagues.

Tao Zhang, the long-time CEO at Hess Langfang, sees great potential in the expansion: "I am very pleased that we are growing with the Topwerk Group and are now significantly expanding our production facility in Langfang. As we are expanding our personnel capacities at the same time, we can meet the increasing demands and serve our customers even more comprehensively. This will further increase our presence on the local market and provide the entire Group with a broader platform in China."

"With Hess Langfang, we have a very strong position in China and are reacting to the excellent developments there with the facility expansion," says Robert Gruss, CEO of the Topwerk Group. "We are delighted with the dynamism of our Chinese organisation. This investment in enlarging buildings, production halls and, in particular, technical staff means that we will be able to serve our customers even more efficiently and in a more targeted manner. The expansion also fits ideally into the entire group's global growth strategy. It is an important strategic step that will strengthen our global position and, with its strong customer focus, will continue to enhance our offers and services on the important Chinese market."

For the past 15 years - starting with the intensive rollout of Chinese high-speed train lines - the company has also held a leading position in the demanding market for high-speed railway sleeper machines. "In future, we will no longer be



Hess Langfang has doubled the size of its production facility and modernised the existing building

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offering our products just in China, but also globally. We are actively involved with outstanding innovative technical achievements in the world's leading high-speed network. We are continuously developing this segment and will now also do so on an international basis," asserts Daniel Auernig, COO at Hess Langfang.





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