

PRESS INFORMATION

Bytów, 15.12.2011| Drutex begins construction of the European Centre for Woodwork

DRUTEX S.A. plans to begin the construction of the European Centre for windows and doors based in Bytow in 2012.

The Company announces the expansion of production capacity, increase of the employment, expansion of the product range, increase of the transport fleet, and thus the distribution network in the country and abroad, as well as intensive marketing efforts.

Operating strategy in 2012 will be based on dynamic investment in infrastructure and the potential of the company. Estimated value of the investment amounts for 200 million Euro. Resources needed to finance the project will come from the company's own funds and bank loans.

The new project will focuss on developing the production joinery as well as increasing the production of company's own profiles GL System and double glazing. Therefore, the company plans to purchase new machinery and equipment for the production of joinery and further develop its own research laboratory of PVC joinery allowing even greater supervision and control of manufacturing processes. Only, this year, as a part of the expansion of research and development, the company purchased a machine KS Schulten, which is a base also for well known certifying institutes such as the IFT Rosenheim.

The new production warehouses covering an area of about 10ha (now the company manages an area of approximately 10 ha)will help to significantly increase the production capacity of Drutex. The plans call for an increase of the production capacity by a minimum of 100%. Currently, the company already produces ok.5.000 windows a day, which makes the firm the largest producer in Europe. Only in 2010 the company's sales revenues amounted for 326 million pln, of which over 50% was exported. Drutex supplies its products to almost all of Europe, as well as USA, Canada, Australia and the Middle East. At the same time the company plans to strengthen its position in existing export markets, notably German, Italian and Hungarian.

The construction of the European Building Joinery Centre will also mean an increase of employment of at least 1,000 people (at the end of 2011 employment was 1,560 persons), so the company will contribute to lowering unemployment in the region.



"The investment associated with the construction of the European Centre Joinery, which we plan to start in 2012, is the result of growing demand for our products. Importantly, it's not an art to build a new factory, but to provide outlets for increasing production capacity. Market analysis clearly indicates that the demand for our products gives us great opportunities for further development. The decision to increase the production capacity is therefore a natural result of our expansion. I believe that through this we will be able to increase our profitability, but also provide the customers with a better product more suited to their growing demands, "- said Leszek Gierszewski, President of DRUTEX SA

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DRUTEX SA (www.drutex.eu) is one of the largest manufacturers of windows and doors in Europe. The company began operations in 1985 and currently markets offers its products in most European countries, USA, Canada, Mexico, Australia and the Far East. Within couple of years became the leading manufacturer of doors and windows, both in Poland and Europe. The company is headquartered in Bytow, in the province. Pomerania. There is also the logistics center of the company which has more than 130 modern fleet of vehicles. In 2010 the company achieved sales of 325 mln zł, a company's export amounted for 50%. DRUTEX offer not only PVC products but in addition also windows, doors and facades in aluminum and wood as well as roller blinds. DRUTEX is a modern company that implements the most innovative technology solutions tailored to clients' needs. Products are being appreciated by the customers, which is reflected in numerous awards and honors, such as: Laurel Client Business Gazelles, EU Standard, Crystal Profile, Ambassador of the Polish Economy, Good Company, Green Mark, the European Medal, Top Builder in 2011, Pillar Polish Economy, Polish Business Leader, Solid Company, Diamond Forbes, Master of Business and many others. The company's goal is to create cutting-edge products, invest in innovative solutions and build dynamic sales network as well as ensure the optimization of supply and procurement processes of still expanding customer base.