

Bombardier opts for procurement concept by HAHN+KOLB

Efficient MRO parts management in production

Ludwigsburg / Siegen 25th July 2017 – Machining tools and system provider HAHN+KOLB, together with its affiliate Würth Industrie Service, is implementing a complete MRO solution for Bombardier Transportation at its Siegen site. Following a successful pilot phase, in which a comprehensive concept for the provision of operating supplies and consumables was developed, there are plans to expand the system to other Bombardier locations.

Bombardier Transportation produces bogies for locomotives at its Siegen site, and also offers services for the entire bogie product lifecycle. With the objective of optimising overall procurement and process costs within the MRO supply chain, experienced system supplier HAHN+KOLB was chosen to devise a solution. After thoroughly analysing existing procurement and expense processes at the Bombardier plant, specialists at HAHN+KOLB developed a concept for reducing the total cost of ownership (TCO). "Our goal is simple and cost-effective procurement and reprourement with operationally optimised warehousing of production-related materials and consumables, along with high supply reliability through availability," explains Timo Roesch, International Key Account Manager for the project at HAHN+KOLB.

The new automated inventory management system covers fluctuations in consumption which can occur e.g. during shift operation; a customised electronic ordering system provides the necessary procurement flexibility. So that production workers always have access to the materials they require, the system supplier also installed decentralised tool dispensing systems, which have achieved significantly shorter internal procurement routes and times. In addition, these user-focused dispensing systems enable all key needs to be covered 24/7. The complete MRO supply solution for the Bombardier site in the Netphen district of Siegen is provided by HAHN+KOLB together with Würth Industrie Service, specialists for C-parts management in industry.

Planned expansion to other sites

Following successful completion of the pilot phase in Siegen, project managers at HAHN+KOLB and Würth Industrie Service will continue

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the regular evaluation of indicators during normal operations to constantly improve processes and enhance efficiency. "We have a dynamic concept that we can adapt at any time to changing requirements," says Timo Roesch. "That means it can be implemented at other Bombardier production sites as well."

About HAHN+KOLB

The HAHN+KOLB Group is based in Ludwigsburg, Germany, and is one of the world's leading tool service providers and system suppliers. Through direct sales, the company sells cutting and clamping tools, measuring and testing technology, workshop equipment, general tools, handling systems and machines, as well as customer-oriented system solutions. Customers include other companies and corporations from the automotive, metal, electronics and energy sectors. The company lists more than 60,000 products in two separate catalogues on the major topics of "Tools" and "Workshop Equipment – Machines". In Germany alone, the circulation of each catalogue is around 80,000 copies. In 2016, HAHN+KOLB achieved sales of €251 million. The company, whose roots can be traced back to the year 1898, now employs about 800 people worldwide.

To find out more about HAHN+KOLB, visit <http://www.hahn-kolb.de>

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At its site in Siegen, Bombardier Transportation produces bogies for locomotives in all market segments.

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Image 02



Patrick Brach, Tools, Technical Service at Bombardier (I.) and Andreas Blatzheim, Sales Force Key Account Management, HAHN+KOLB are pleased at the project's success.

Image 03



The HK-MAT by HAHN+KOLB is robustly built and impressively easy to use – stocks of tools and consumables are efficiently managed and availability is ensured.