

PRESS RELEASE

Nanogate AG opens up new field of application with a major order for touchpads

Production launch of touchpad coating with Nglaze technology – Application in a new generation of luxury mid-range vehicles – Order worth millions – Introduction of more new technologies planned

Göttelborn, Germany, 19 January 2015. Nanogate AG (ISIN DE000A0JKHC9), a leading international integrated systems provider for high-performance surfaces, has received a major order for a new application and will supply touchpads with a multifunctional coating to a southern German automotive group. The multi-year order comprises a cumulative production volume in the seven-figure range.

Nanogate subsidiary GfO AG will in future be supplying touchpads with scratchproof enhancement to a German luxury car manufacturer. They will be located in the central console near the gear lever and will make it easier to operate the vehicle, e.g. the navigation device. The coating uses a multifunctional Sicralan enhancement for the capacitive sensor surface. The new generation of vehicles will be launched on the market in summer 2015.

Michael Jung, COO of Nanogate AG explains: "Nanogate is opening up a new area of application, so confirming its role as an innovation partner for international Groups. Our multifunctional enhancement using Nglaze technology protects the high-quality design surface of the touchpad and ensures that the car retains its value. The touchpad improves the overall ease and convenience of the driving experience. The cumulative order volume in the seven-digit euro range reinforces our strong market position in innovative surface systems for international car manufacturers. The new application is the starting point for a range of new technologies and systems that we will be introducing in future.



Nanogate will again be spending significantly on investment and processes in order to expand its product portfolio and to further open up the two strategic growth fields of advanced metals and advanced polymers."

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Nanogate AG:

Nanogate is a leading international integrated systems provider for high-performance surfaces. The Group, which is based in Göttelborn (Saarland), enables the programming and integration of additional properties - such as non-stick, scratchproof and anticorrosive - into materials and surfaces. True to its slogan 'A world of new surfaces', Nanogate opens up the diverse possibilities of multifunctional surfaces based on new materials for companies in a wide range of industries.

Nanogate provides its customers with technologically and optically high-quality systems. To do so, the company uses its extensive knowledge of innovative materials, including existing expertise in nanomaterials, nanosurfaces and nanostructures. The aim is to improve customers' products and processes by means of high-performance surfaces while achieving environmental benefits. The Group focuses on the four sectors of automotive/transport, mechanical and plant engineering, buildings/interiors and sports/leisure, as well as on the strategic growth areas of advanced polymers and advanced metals. Nanogate has a unique combination of extensive materials expertise paired with comprehensive, first-class process and production knowledge. As a systems provider, Nanogate offers services throughout the entire value chain, from the purchase of raw materials, to the synthesis and formulation of the material systems, right through to the enhancement and production of the finished surfaces. The Group focuses primarily on optically high-quality plastic and metal coatings for all surface types (two and threedimensional components). Its value drivers are the opening up of new, international markets, the development of new applications for the strategic growth areas of advanced polymers (innovative plastics, e.g. glazing) and advanced metals (innovative metal enhancements, especially energy efficiency) as well as external growth. In the medium term, Nanogate also intends to achieve a considerable revenue share from environmentally friendly systems and processes as well as cleantech applications.

The Nanogate Group has first-class references (e.g. Airbus, Audi, August Brötje, BMW, BSH Bosch und Siemens Hausgeräte, Daimler, FILA, Jaquar, Junkers, Porsche,



Volkswagen). Several hundred projects have already gone into mass production. The company also has strategic partnerships with many international corporations. Nanogate comprises Nanogate Industrial Solutions GmbH, Eurogard B.V., Nanogate Textile & Care Systems GmbH, Nanogate Glazing Systems B.V., Vogler GmbH and majority stakes in GfO Gesellschaft für Oberflächentechnik AG and Plastic-Design GmbH.

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