

## Press release

# SPIE extends its cooperation with Daimler AG in Bremen and Sindelfingen

- The German car manufacturer Daimler has extended its contract with SPIE at the Mercedes-Benz plant in Sindelfingen. As a result, the independent European leader in multi-technical services in the areas of energy and communications has expanded its range of services in terms of technical facility management. The Group also won a maintenance contract at the Mercedes-Benz plant in Bremen to manage parts of production process.
- The multi-technology service provider has been active in the Stuttgart/Sindelfingen metropolitan area for 20 years and has worked alongside the car manufacturer in Bremen for 10 years.
- The new contract period started in January 2019. At both locations, SPIE manages more than 4.4 million square metres with a total of more than 200 employees.

**Sindelfingen/Bremen, March 25, 2019** – SPIE will continue to coordinate technical facility management in the production halls and administrative buildings of the Mercedes-Benz plants in Sindelfingen and Bremen, while expanding its services. The multi-technical service provider is active in laboratories, offices, workshops and test stands - including at the wind tunnel centre - and thus works closely with the car manufacturer's production process. In addition, SPIE is responsible for the distribution of production fluids and energy and works in three-shift operation at both Mercedes-Benz plants. Reaction times for troubleshooting are extremely short and a 24-hour on-call service has been set up to avoid production downtimes.

### **Close proximity to the production process**

SPIE continues to manage parts of production process at the Mercedes-Benz plant in Bremen and remains responsible for troubleshooting and maintenance. *"With the new contract, additional installations will be added at locations near the plant, so that we now support the entire production process. We perform maintenance services in assembly halls and also work in potentially explosive areas such as vehicle paint shops,"* says SPIE project manager Lars Buchwald. The multi-technical service provider also remains in charge of the technical facility management in production halls, warehouses and administrative buildings, and of the distribution of production fluids and energy.

A total of eleven different models are now being produced there, including all the C-Class variants, the SL sports cars and SUVs.

### **Growing with the customer**

In Sindelfingen, Daimler is extending the contracts for technical facility management in the development and test sector of the car division. SPIE is also continuing to operate test bench technology at the wind tunnel centre. In various wind tunnels, all climatic conditions on Earth are simulated in order to develop or test vehicles. SPIE is also coordinating the fluids supply at different test stands. *“We have been working for Daimler in the Stuttgart metropolitan area for 20 years and are constantly growing with the customer. In the future, we will be managing 2.8 million square metres with more than 100 colleagues - when we started out, there were just two of us,”* says SPIE project manager Jürgen Schmid.

The plant in Sindelfingen is the competence centre for the production of vehicles and, in the future, premium and luxury range electric vehicles in the worldwide production network. Cars manufactured at this plant include the E-Class series and the Mercedes-Benz flagship S-Class.

### **About SPIE Deutschland & Zentraleuropa**

SPIE Deutschland & Zentraleuropa, a subsidiary of the SPIE group, the independent European leader in multi-technical services in the areas of energy and communications, is the leading multi-technical service provider for buildings, facilities and infrastructure in Germany, Austria, Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia and Hungary. Its service range encompasses technical facility management, energy-efficiency solutions, technical services for the transmission and distribution of energy and for industrial clients as well as in the areas of electrical and security technology, HVAC technology and information and communications technology.

SPIE Deutschland & Zentraleuropa has about 15,000 employees in over 200 locations.

With more than 46,400 employees and a strong local presence, SPIE achieved in 2018 consolidated revenues of €6.7 billion and consolidated EBITA of €400 million.

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