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PRESS RELEASE

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Felix Schoeller plans expansion of Release Liner Manufacturing to North America

The global Felix Schoeller Group is announcing plans to invest in a manufacturing operation for Release Liners at their Pulaski, New York facility. After years of rapid business growth, the company is now recognized as a leading manufacturer of siliconized poly-coated kraft (PCK) liners. Based on the unique integration into paper making, extrusion coating and siliconizing, Felix Schoeller Release Liners have become a benchmark in the self-adhesive graphics, tape, and industrial markets.

The planned investment in North America is not only a geographic expansion but will also add new capabilities: The new operation is designed to coat both solventless and solvent based silicone systems to best meet the requirements of current and future customers. The new operation is expected to be operational by 2023.

"Building the new North American operation is a very logical step in our global Release Liner strategy", states Michael Szidat, CEO of Felix Schoeller North America. "A manufacturing presence in our key North American market will elevate us from an important supplier to a true partner for our customers. And expanding our technology to include solvent coatings will allow our customers and us to bring the Felix Schoeller performance promise to a whole new set of markets and applications."

Picture 1:



Caption 1: Felix Schoeller North America Inc., site overview **Photo Credits:** Felix Schoeller Group



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About the Felix Schoeller Group

The Felix Schoeller Group, founded in 1895 and based in Osnabrück, Germany, is a worldwide operating family business that produces specialty papers. With more than 3,700 employees, it produced and marketed around 450,000 tonnes of specialty papers in the past 2019 financial year. The turnover of the renowned Osnabrück-based company was 926 million euros in total. The Felix Schoeller Group develops, produces and markets special papers for photographic applications, digital printing systems, the packaging market, self-adhesive applications as well as furniture, wood-based products and wall-paper industry.

In addition to its main site and headquarters in Osnabrück, the Felix Schoeller Group has four other production facilities in Germany - in Weissenborn and Penig (Saxony), Titisee-Neustadt (Baden-Württemberg) and in Günzach (Bavaria). The Felix Schoeller Group also has production sites in the USA and Canada and is involved in joint ventures in Russia, India and China. It has representative offices in Sao Paulo, Tokyo, Shanghai, Kuala Lumpur, Melbourne, Moscow and Paris.

Founded in 1895 as a paper mill in Osnabrück, the Felix Schoeller Group today supplies over 1800 customers in 65 countries. The Group has been family-owned since the beginning. Five generations have made the transition from a former photo base paper producer to a global manufacturer of specialty papers. With a clear vision in mind, the company looks resolutely to the future. In 2030, the Felix Schoeller Group aims to remain financially healthy and independent and to swiftly seize its opportunities. The Group plans to be represented in all growth markets and economic areas.

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