

Trade news release

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Ahlstrom sets up warehouse for filtration materials in India

Ahlstrom, a global high performance materials company, takes another step in expanding in Asia by setting up a warehouse facility for its Filtration Business Area in the Indian state of Maharashtra.

The investment will allow Ahlstrom to better serve its customers in India and shorten lead times in the fast growing local market. Ahlstrom will mainly supply transportation filtration material, but also gas turbine and dust collection filtration markets through the warehouse.

“This is another firm step in executing our growth strategy in Asia. Last year we acquired a filtration materials plant in China and now we are targeting India. We are happy to be able to grow together with our customers,” states Tommi Björnman, Executive Vice President, Filtration Business Area.

Filtration accounts for about 20% of total net sales at Ahlstrom. The business area operates 11 plants worldwide, including Binzhou in China and Hyun Poong in South Korea.

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Ahlstrom in brief

Ahlstrom is a high performance materials company, partnering with leading businesses around the world to help them stay ahead. Our products are used in a large variety of everyday applications, such as filters, wallcovers, flooring, labels and food packaging. We have a leading market position in the businesses in which we operate. Our 5,700 employees serve customers in 26 countries on six continents. In 2010, Ahlstrom's net sales amounted to EUR 1.9 billion. The company's share is quoted on the NASDAQ OMX Helsinki. More information available at www.ahlstrom.com