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Voith celebrates 135th anniversary in York, Pennsylvania

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HEIDENHEIM / YORK, September 19, 2012. Voith Hydro, a division of Voith Group, celebrated the 135th anniversary of hydropower manufacturing in York, Pennsylvania on September 14, 2012, including “open house” and a big festival. Several hundred active and former employees and their families, together with Voith customers and honored guests had followed the Board’s invitation to celebrate 135 years of hydro power “made in America”.

As part of the event, Pennsylvania Governor Tom Corbett and local Congressman Todd Platts congratulated and spoke to the attendees. Corbett and Platts focused on the importance of industrial jobs for the region and, additionally, emphasized the future possibilities of hydropower as a source of energy in the US. Kevin Frank, President and CEO of Voith Hydro Inc. in York, made a point on the vital role hydropower plays with regard to the global expansion of other renewable energy sources, and the positive contribution of hydropower to limiting climate change.

Voith Hydro in York is one of the largest hydropower manufacturing companies in North America and the only hydropower manufacturer in the United States operating its own hydroelectric research and testing laboratory.

About the Company

Voith sets standards in the markets energy, oil & gas, paper, raw materials and transportation & automotive. Founded in 1867, Voith employs almost 40,000 people, generates € 5.6 billion in sales, operates in about 50 countries around the world and is today one of the biggest family-owned companies in Europe.

The importance of Hydro Power

Hydro power is the largest, oldest and most reliable form of renewable energy generation. Worldwide, it makes an indispensable contribution to stable power supplies and hence to economic and social development - both in industrial countries and in emerging markets. Hydro power also makes a significant contribution to climate-protecting energy production. Voith has been a leading supplier of this technology from the early beginning and continuously develops it further.

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