

MANN+HUMMEL Receives GM Supplier Award

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Portage, Mich (<u>PRWEB</u>) April 17, 2004 --MANN+HUMMEL has been named as a General Motors Supplier of the Year for the twelfth straight year for its overall business performance in providing GM with parts and services.

The award was presented to MANN+HUMMEL GmbH CEO Dr. Dieter Seipler during recent ceremonies at the Hilton Prague Hotel in Prague, Czech Republic. Participating at the award presentation in addition to Dr. Seipler was Otmar Seehorsch, the company $\hat{A} \Box$ s vice president of sales.

GM also recognized MANN+HUMMEL GmbH for being one of only two companies to have won the Supplier of the Year award every year since its inception in 1992.

The award is given annually to suppliers selected by GM for their contributing role in improving the company $\hat{A} \square$ s performance. Suppliers are reviewed each year by a team of GM engineering, purchasing, manufacturing and logistics executives. Winners are chosen for their performance in the key areas of quality, service, technology and price. This year, General Motors honored 77 suppliers for their excellence throughout the past year.

 $\hat{A} \square MANN+HUMMEL$ is representative of the type of company we want to grow with as we drive to be the best worldwide, $\hat{A} \square$ said Bo Andersson, vice president, GM Worldwide Purchasing, Production Control & Logistics. $\hat{A} \square$ The company has a balanced focus on performance and behavior that supports GM $\hat{A} \square$ s priorities. They are a role model for all of our suppliers. $\hat{A} \square$

 $\hat{A} \square$ This award is very important to MANN+HUMMEL, $\hat{A} \square$ noted Claude Mathieu, president of MANN+HUMMEL USA Inc. $\hat{A} \square$ It is a clear indicator that we are on target in our efforts to provide high-quality, technically advanced products. We are especially honored to be one of only two companies in the world to receive this prestigious award every year since its inception. $\hat{A} \square$

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About MANN+HUMMEL:

The MANN+HUMMEL Group is an international company. In 2003, the company achieved sales of \$1.3 billion. The MANN+HUMMEL Group currently employs around 8,800 people at more than 50 locations worldwide. The company develops, produces and sells technically complex automotive components such as air filter systems, intake manifold systems, liquid filter systems and cabin filters for the automotive industry, and filter elements for vehicle servicing and repair. For general engineering, process engineering and industrial manufacturing sectors, the companyÂ \Box s product range includes industrial filters, filter systems, and materials handling systems and equipment. MANN+HUMMELÂ \Box s customers come from a large number of sectors, with series production for the automotive industry occupying a key position. Further information about MANN+HUMMEL can be found on the Internet at www.mann-hummel.com.

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