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Tokai COBEX Partners with Andea to Implement Unified Manufacturing Operations Management System

Wiesbaden, June 7, 2024 - Tokai COBEX proudly announces a strategic partnership with Andea, a distinguished partner of Dassault Systèmes specializing in System Integration and Consulting, as well as a respected reseller of DELMIA solutions. This partnership marks a significant milestone in Tokai COBEX's efforts to optimize operations across its European production facilities.

The comprehensive manufacturing operations management (MOM) system deployment will cover key functional areas, including supply chain management, production, quality, and inventory. This initiative aims to standardize and harmonize manufacturing operations across TCX's European plants, providing a single source of information, that enables real-time control, effective management, and full traceability of production processes. The implementation will begin by integrating with existing systems such as SAP, SCADA, and LIMS, with future plans for maintenance system integration.

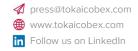
In close collaboration with Andea, the system development is on track for initial go-live in Q4/2024. Colleagues will be progressively involved to understand and prepare for the procedural changes introduced by the new MES system. Regular onsite demonstrations will be conducted at our facilities in France (Notre-Dame-De-Briançon, Vénissieux) and Poland (Nowy Sącz, Racibórz), inviting feedback to tailor the system's configuration. Continuous involvement of key stakeholders and future users at all levels is seen as a key success factor.

Pawel Mierzwa, VP–Sales Operations, Andea: "We are absolutely thrilled to partner with Tokai COBEX, whose thorough and professional approach to project preparation and vendor evaluation has been truly impressive. Moreover, the dedication and commitment of their internal MOM project team are key factors that will contribute significantly to the overall success of our collaboration. We are confident that our combined expertise will lead to outstanding results and set new benchmarks for efficiency and process standardization in Tokai COBEX's manufacturing operations."

Alexander Loscher, Chief Operating Officer, Tokai COBEX: "Andea's proven track record and expertise in MOM implementations make them the perfect fit for our ambitious project to standardize and enhance our manufacturing processes. We have full confidence that this partnership will be a resounding success, bringing significant improvements in efficiency, traceability, and operational transparency across our production plants. We look forward to achieving great milestones together."

This partnership marks a significant step towards streamlined, efficient, and transparent manufacturing operations in a sustainable environment. It highlights our commitment to market innovation and our active role in promoting eco-friendly industrial practices through advanced technology.

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About Andea

Andea is a premier global provider, integrator, and reseller of enterprise MOM and APS solutions. The company is a certified Value Added Reseller for Dassault Systèmes' DELMIA Apriso and DELMIA Ortems solutions and a Dassault Systèmes' System & Consulting Integrator Partner. Andea offers a wide range of services, from technical assessments and strategic manufacturing system implementations to global rollouts and ongoing support, ensuring optimized manufacturing operations for its clients. Headquartered in Kraków, Poland, Andea has strategic offices in California, USA, and Berlin, Germany, to support the company's global operations and customer base.

About Tokai COBEX

Tokai COBEX, a subsidiary of the Tokai Carbon Group, is globally recognized for its specialization in manufacturing high-quality carbon and graphite products. The company's diverse product portfolio includes cathode blocks for aluminum smelting, linings for blast furnaces used in pig iron production, carbon electrodes, Soederberg paste for metallurgical smelting processes, and specialty graphite products for various applications, including those in the chemical industry. Headquartered in Wiesbaden, Germany, Tokai COBEX operates four state-of-the-art production plants: two in Poland (Racibórz and Nowy Sącz) and two in France (Vénissieux and Notre Dame de Briançon).

