

## Press Release

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### Bosch Rexroth plans to acquire Eppensteiner

**Lohr.** Bosch Rexroth intends to acquire K. & H. Eppensteiner (Eppensteiner), the hydraulics equipment company based in Ketsch, Germany. An agreement to this effect was signed on March 31, 2008. It has been agreed that the purchase price will not be disclosed. The acquisition is subject to approval by the antitrust authorities.

Eppensteiner develops, manufactures, and sells fluid filters for installation in hydraulic and lubrication oil systems. Its product portfolio also includes complete systems for purifying and recycling hydraulic and lubrication oil. With more than 200 associates, the company generated sales of roughly 28 million euros in 2007, mainly in Europe.

“In acquiring Eppensteiner, we are taking an important step toward expanding our product portfolio to include accessory components. Fluid filters are an important building block in our strategy of further growth in the service and retrofitting business,” said Dr. Albert Hieronimus, the president of Bosch Rexroth AG.

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