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## **SGL Group and LSW employees donate blood**

*Meitingen, September 23, 2016.* SGL Group and Lech-Stahlwerke GmbH once again held their joint blood drive in Meitingen this year. On September 20 2016, the mobile blood bank from the Bavarian Red Cross (BRK) parked in front of the gates of the two companies and all employees were invited to support the Red Cross by donating blood. A total of around 100 colleagues took part in the drive – twice the number from last year.

Blood donations from both employees and other volunteers represent an important contribution to saving the lives of accident victims and people with critical illnesses. Furthermore, participants were automatically entered into a raffle with incentive prizes including tickets to football matches, cinema tickets and other goodies.

As a pioneer of this longstanding tradition in the Augsburg region, the SGL Group and LSW have also been able to inspire other companies to support the work of the BRK with their own blood drives.

Dr. Markus Partik, manager of SGL Group's site in Meitingen: "As a company, it is our pleasure to support the German Red Cross with this joint blood drive. Every donation helps save lives. So we're proud of all our employees who took part in the event."

"I'm delighted we were able to increase donor turnout so much over last year and to show that our employees are committed and ready to help out," said Simon Zeilberger, Commercial CEO at Lech-Stahlwerke GmbH.

### About SGL Group – The Carbon Company

SGL Group is one of the world's leading manufacturers of carbon-based products and materials. It has a comprehensive portfolio ranging from carbon and graphite products to carbon fibers and composites. SGL Group's core competencies are its expertise in high-temperature technology as well as its applications and engineering know-how gained over many years. These competencies enable the Company to make full use of its broad material base. SGL Group's carbon-based materials combine several unique properties such as very good electrical and thermal conductivity, heat and corrosion resistance as well as high mechanical strength combined with low weight. Due to industrialization in the growth regions of Asia and Latin America and increased substitution of traditional with innovative materials, there is a growing demand for SGL Group's high-performance materials and products. Products from SGL Group are used predominantly in the steel, aluminum, automotive and chemical industries as well as in the semiconductor, solar and LED sectors and in lithium-ion batteries. Carbon-based materials and products are also being used increasingly in the wind power, aerospace and defense industries.

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employees generated sales of €1,323 million. The Company's head office is located in Wiesbaden.

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