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## SGL Group wins biggest order in history for DIABON® graphite shell and tube heat exchangers

- Order placed by KGHM Polska Miedź
- Clear focus on customer benefits high process reliability and lifetime

Wiesbaden, November 9, 2015. SGL Group – The Carbon Company – won the biggest single order for graphite shell and tube heat exchangers in its history. Being placed last month by KGHM Polska Miedź, one of the largest producers of copper and silver in the world, it comprises the supply of Graphite Shell and Tube Heat Exchangers used for the efficient cooling of a wash liquor containing sulfuric acid. The order has a low single-digit million euro volume.

The heat exchangers are equipped with SGL Group's high performance DIABON® graphite tubes providing the highest efficiency available on the market of 130/70 W/mK. In addition the tubes are covered with CARBOGUARD® carbon fiber wrapping, developed and patented by SGL Group, which further improves the safety and reliability of the equipment. Small footprint of the installation and minimized maintenance costs over the equipment lifetime are just some of the key benefits from these features.

Klaus Baldermann, Director of the Product Group Equipment & Service of the Business Unit Graphite Materials and Systems: "The contract with KGHM Polska Miedź is another proofpoint of our focus on long-term reliable partnerships with customers in the field of process technologies, and the provision of significant customer benefits during the whole lifetime of the equipment."

The core competencies of SGL Group in the field of engineered products for corrosive applications comprise a broad material base, equipment manufacturing know-how, engineering and project execution excellence as well as fast services over the complete lifecycle.

SGL Group's Business Unit Graphite Materials and Systems is one of the world's leading manufacturers of specialty graphites and an established provider for equipment and systems for the process technology. The Business Unit offers advanced solutions even for challenging applications enabling its customer's operational advantages.



## 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.

With 42 production sites in Europe, North America and Asia as well as a service network covering more than 100 countries, SGL Group is a company with a global presence. In 2014, the Company's workforce of around 6,300 employees generated sales of €1,336 million. The Company's head office is located in Wiesbaden.

Further information on SGL Group can be found in SGL Group's newsroom at www.sglgroup.com/press or at www.sglgroup.com.

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