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### **SGL Group to showcase specialty graphite solutions for the automotive industry at SAECCCE**

*Shanghai, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016.* SGL Group - The Carbon Company - will present its specialty graphite and process solutions for the automotive industry at the 2016 SAE-China Congress & Exhibition (SAECCCE), which is an important platform in China for advanced automotive engineering technologies. This fair will be held on October 26-28 at the Shanghai Automobile Exhibition Center in Shanghai (SGL Group booth: E14).

To address the increasing demand of the automotive industry for energy efficient and reliable specialty graphite solutions, SGL Group is introducing at this show its broad product portfolio for the industry, such as solutions for exhaust gas recirculation systems, fuel and water pumps, vacuum pumps which are commonly seen in modern fuel vehicles and hybrid electric vehicles (HEVs). For these applications, SGL Group has adopted the PTS (Pressed-to-Size) technology which provides near-net-shaped parts, minimizing the need for follow-up machining work, which is a significant advantage in terms of time and cost.

“As a sought-after partner of many leading car manufacturers and suppliers, SGL Group is committed to providing specialty graphite products and advanced solutions with high oxidation resistance, good self-lubricating properties, exceptional resistance to chemical media, and high mechanical strength,” said Burkhard Straube, Chairman of the Business Unit Graphite Materials & Systems (GMS). “Our products have demonstrated a high level of energy efficiency, environmental compatibility and safety. In light of China’s ‘Made in China 2025’ initiative, we offer Chinese customers to closely work together on innovative activities to facilitate the development of better production solutions for the automotive industry in China.”

For more information on specialty graphite solutions for the automotive industry, please visit SGL Group’s booth at SAECCCE.

#### 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.

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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 40 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 2015, the Company's workforce of around 5,700 employees generated sales of €1,323 million. The Company's head office is located in Wiesbaden.**

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