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Integrated management system at Kodak's Osterode plate manufacturing facility successfully recertified

Triple certification for quality, environmental and occupational safety management

Osterode, Germany, April 11th, 2018 – Kodak provides offset printers with a modern portfolio of plates for high quality, profitable and environmentally efficient production. Strict compliance with environmental, quality and occupational safety standards, as well as continuous improvements in these areas, is a central element of the Kodak philosophy – and plate manufacturing is no exception. A quality management system to ISO 9001:2015 was introduced for this purpose at Kodak's biggest plate manufacturing facility in Osterode (Germany) back in 1995; it was followed in 2001 by an environmental management system to ISO 14001:2015 and in 2005 by an occupational health and safety management system to BS OHSAS 18001. ISO 50001, the energy management standard, has been implemented since 2013.

The official certification of the 9001, 14001 and 18001 management systems was renewed in March 2018 to take account of the newest requirements of the ISO standards. All relevant functions and processes at the Osterode plant were reviewed by experts from DNV GL, an international certification company, in a complex re-audit.

Renewed confirmation of excellence

The auditors came to the conclusion that the management systems at Kodak's Osterode site significantly exceed the ISO requirements and all certifications were

therefore renewed without any issues. They emphasized a number of particularly positive aspects:

- Significant, measurable and continuous improvements in quality, environmental and occupational health & safety management performance
- Very good monitoring of legal compliance with regard to occupational health and safety, environmental protection and energy
- Comprehensive emergency management system with 24/7 readiness
- Excellent communication processes throughout
- Good plant condition monitoring

“The successful recertification of our integrated operational management system is the outcome of numerous improvement programs in different areas. Without the ongoing and single-minded commitment of the entire team at our Osterode facility, this would not have been possible. At the same time, this recertification represents an important milestone in our sustained drive to further optimize our processes and our resource efficiency with innovative approaches that help raise customer satisfaction,” said Sven Freyer, Director Plate Manufacturing Germany, Print Systems Division, Kodak. “Our clients can thus be certain that every KODAK offset printing plate is manufactured in line with the very latest environmental, quality and occupational safety standards, and that their own sustainability efforts will be perfectly supported and complemented.”

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