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Bielefeld, Germany, August 8, 2006 – Klein Umformtechnik GmbH in Netphen-Deuz Germany, has chosen itelligence as its SAP consulting company. Over the next 12 months, itelligence consultants will implement the SAP industry solution for the automotive supplier industry it.automotive supplier at Klein in two locations for 117 users.

Klein Umformtechnik GmbH from Siegerland is one of the leading German suppliers for the automotive industry. Its key product lines include stampings and deep-drawn parts through cold forming, motor vehicle components and body parts and welding components, as well as manufacturing its own new tools. Various items in the non-automotive sector round off the product range. In 2005, the company generated revenues of approximately EUR 35 million with around 230 employees.

“Through a selection process, we looked for ERP software offering us high integrity and long-term investment protection,” commented Joachim Born, who is Head of Logistics and responsible for the ERP project at Klein Umformtechnik GmbH. “With itelligence as an SAP partner and it.automotive supplier, we have chosen a strong package that provides our company with a sound basis for the international market. The balance between itelligence’s international experience and consultant expertise that meets the needs of SMEs played an important role in this.”

itelligence is to implement it.automotive supplier in two stages. By January 1, 2007 it.automotive supplier will be implemented in the Personnel, Finance and Controlling divisions. At the same time, introduction of it.automotive supplier will begin in the entire production chain, including production planning and control as well as company logistics comprising sales, materials management, quality management in the incoming goods department, procurement, warehouse management, product lifecycle management, maintenance and toolmaking. The existing PPS solution will then be replaced by July 1, 2007.

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The project imposes special conditions because Klein offers its customers “everything from one source – from development to series production.” In addition to series production, with stamping presses, hydraulic deep drawing presses and welding robots, Klein has its own department for developing and prototyping. Its own toolmaker’s shop for designing and making transfer, follow-on composite and individual tools for sheet metal working rounds off Klein’s offering.

Thus a flexible ERP automotive industry solution is required that serves, for example, the demands of toolmaking, maintenance, batch management, coupled production and blanket orders with individual release orders and cumulative quantities. However, the solution must also allow packaging management, including handling unit management with meaningful advance calculation and quality management.

The aim of the project is to link the development process and series production in one ERP system to maintain cost transparency that is as high as possible which strengthens the company in its global focus. Long-term investment protection, extensive industry knowledge, SAP SME expertise and many years of ERP process experience in the key automotive business processes are sought after.

Meinolf Schäfer, who is a member of the Automotive SME Sales team at itelligence, says “In the case of an SME project such as Klein Umformtechnik, our industry solution it.automotive supplier can fully play out its strengths. Complex ERP processes cannot only be mapped and managed, they are also presented in a clearly structure to the user using an SAP application user interface.”

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