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MAPAL focuses on green electricity

The main MAPAL factory in Aalen and the eight subsidiaries throughout Germany will be operated with environmentally friendly produced electricity from 2021.

As a contribution to climate protection, MAPAL is increasing the use of renewable energies. As of next year, the precision tool manufacturer will be solely purchasing natural electricity from 100 per cent renewable sources. "We are switching electricity suppliers and in future will obtain green electricity from hydropower. To this end, we have concluded a corresponding framework agreement with a renowned energy supplier for all nine production sites throughout Germany," says Gorazd Bohinec, Global Leadbuyer Purchasing.

Up to now, MAPAL has been using so-called "grey electricity", an electricity mix in which the share of renewable energies is around 40 per cent. The decision was made in favour of purely green electricity despite the additional costs involved, "out of a sense of duty to the environment and towards more sustainability," emphasises Managing Partner Dr Jochen Kress. MAPAL's annual electricity requirement in Germany is in the mid-double-digit gigawatt range. By using green electricity, the Group improves its ecological footprint and saves around 13,000 tonnes of carbon dioxide (CO₂) annually.

MAPAL operates an energy and an environmental management system which is certified according to DIN EN ISO 50001 and DIN ISO 14001. The company is continuously reviewing and perfecting its energy requirements and invests in energy-efficient machinery and equipment as well as environmentally friendly lighting and building services engineering. The main factory in Aalen also operates its own combined heat and power plant, which covers part of the energy required for tool production using combined heat and power generation.

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