

Press Release

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Luther advises the TWE Group on the purchase of the European nonwoven fabrics business from the British Vita Group

Dusseldorf – The German TWE Group bought the European nonwoven fabric business from the Vita Group on 7 September 2012. Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft mbH was one of the firms that advised the TWE Group on the purchase.

Four European subsidiaries of the Vita Group that produce nonwoven fabrics for the construction, automotive and hygiene industries have been purchased. Over 400 employees are employed by these companies in total on their sites in Meulebeke, Belgium, Mâcon and Crépy-en-Valois, France, and Bredaryd, Sweden. As the German group specialises in the production of nonwoven fabrics, these companies are of particular interest to the TWE Group. The German group consists of four subsidiaries that produce nonwoven fabrics in Germany and China for the cleaning, clothing and automotive industries, amongst others.

On behalf of the TWE Group

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