**PRESS RELEASE**

**Freudenberg expands global geosynthetics production with a new line in China**

**Weinheim, July 13th, 2023. Freudenberg Performance Materials (Freudenberg)**, **a leading global supplier of high-performance technical textiles has begun operating a new geosynthetics production line in Changzhou (China). It enables Freudenberg to supply customers in the APAC region with Enka® Solutions made in China for building, industrial and civil engineering applications. Freudenberg now is also able to serve customers in diverse technical markets with finished and semi-finished products.**

This investment in China will significantly increase Enka® Solutions production capacity and will play a fundamental role in the development of Enka business with customers in the APAC region. Freudenberg inaugurated the new line in Changzhou at an opening ceremony on July 13th.

**Faster and more efficient delivery**

The new production line in Changzhou complements the manufacturing operations in Obernburg (Germany) and Asheville (North Carolina, USA). With a global manufacturing presence on the three different continents Europe, Asia and America, Freudenberg can now serve markets locally and deliver Enka® Solutions products faster and efficiently. This will not only help to better meet customer needs, but also reducing the company's environmental footprint by increasing local production.

**About Enka®Solutions**

Freudenberg´s Enka® Solutions is a solution provider for high-performance geosynthetics that offer multiple solutions for building, industrial and civil engineering industries, contributing to sustainable and ecological development of urban construction.

Thanks to its unique 3D entangled polymeric filament structures, Enka®Solutions products efficiently answer challenges in the fields of acoustic, ventilation, drainage, erosion control, sports and recreation, vibration damping, soil reinforcement, bio-filtration and more.

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**About Freudenberg Performance Materials**

Freudenberg Performance Materials is a leading global supplier of innovative technical textiles for a broad range of markets and applications such as apparel, automotive, building interiors, building materials, healthcare, energy, filter media, shoe and leather goods as well as specialties. In 2022, the company generated sales of some €1.6 billion, had 32 production sites in 14 countries around the world and had more than 5.000 employees. Freudenberg Performance Materials attaches great importance to social and ecological responsibility as the basis for its business success. For more information, please visit [www.freudenberg-pm.com](https://eur02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.freudenberg-pm.com%2F&data=05%7C01%7CKatrin.Boettcher%40freudenberg-pm.com%7Cb842f96c332449e3846008db463194a9%7Cc7b0778106f341d7b40f5b2de1018509%7C0%7C0%7C638180950979533767%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=Z9Qqpb2bKguISzdIflVrbN0g2mD9qRU2HMGh9yoXy6Y%3D&reserved=0)

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