

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

For additional information, please contact: Dalma Ricci, *Global Strategic Marketing Leader* dalma.ricci@bwconverting.com

Monforts' Montex, with BW Converting's Baldwin TexCoat[™] G4 technology, now available for trials



Pictured from left to right: Mark Dohmen (Archroma), Dirk Grafen (Archroma), Saskia Kuhlen (Monforts), Rick Stanford (BW Converting), Michael Schuhmann (Archroma) and Hans Wroblowski (Monforts).

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Feb. 18, 2025 — <u>Monforts</u> has completed the installation of a BW Converting Baldwin TexCoat[™] G4 digital spray unit at its Advanced Technology Center (ATC) in Mönchengladbach, Germany. It has been successfully integrated into one of the two full-size Montex stenter lines at the ATC and is now available for full customer trials, especially making full use of the latest advanced sustainable finishing chemistries supplied by <u>Archroma</u>.

<u>BW Converting's</u> TexCoat G4 enables softeners, antimicrobials, durable water repellents, flame retardants and many other water-based chemicals to be precisely applied to textile surfaces, and in combination with industry-leading Montex stenters can reduce water, chemistry and energy consumption by up to 50 percent compared to traditional pad application processes.

Monforts is providing vital support to dyeing and finishing manufacturers in their development projects, successfully boosting the quality and performance of

many new finished products while at the same time maximizing productivity and resource utilization.

"Our ATC houses two full Montex stenter finishing lines engineered to accommodate an extremely diverse range of processes, in addition to a Thermex range for the continuous dyeing of denim and other woven fabrics, a full color kitchen and a number of lab-scale systems for smaller batch trials," said Monforts Head of Denim Hans Wroblowski. "It enables our customers to test their own textiles and technical fabrics under fully confidential, real production conditions and using the results from these trials we are also able to make recommendations for improving many fabric finishes.

"The new TexCoat installation will make an important contribution to what we can achieve, and we are excited to be working together with Archroma and Baldwin to bring further transformative change to the dyeing and finishing space."

"This partnership is already creating a buzz in the industry, and we have several textile manufacturers lining up to take advantage of running production trials at the ATC," said Rick Stanford, Vice President of Global Business Development, Textiles, BW Converting. "Together we are in a position as never before to accelerate the pace of transformative change in the dyeing and finishing space that will result in significantly lower energy, chemical and water consumption with increased productivity and higher quality."

"With the extension of our long-standing partnership with Baldwin — now including Monforts' processing expertise and know-how — the development of new concepts for chemical functionalization and coloration will be taken a step further," said Michael Schuhmann, Global Market Segment Manager, Technical Textiles, Archroma Textile Effects.



BALDWIN

HUDSON-SHARP







Monforts' Montex, with BW Converting's TexCoat[™] G4 technology, now available for trials Feb. 18, 2025 Page 2 of 2

"Additionally, we can now demonstrate potential savings and performance levels under actual industrial conditions, providing mill partners with clear proof of efficiency without disrupting their production."

ABOUT BW CONVERTING

From paper to plastic, ink to textile, products to packaging, BW Converting changes things for the better. We innovate, design, manufacture and service precision machinery that unlocks manufacturing opportunities in tissue, hygiene, print, packaging, mailing, textiles and other high-performance industrial applications. By unifying our product brands — Paper Converting Machine Company (PCMC), Winkler + Dünnebier (W+D), Baldwin Technology Co., Hudson-Sharp, STAX Technologies and Northern Engraving and Machine — under one global organization as part of the \$3.6 billion Barry-Wehmiller organization, we help maximize global industry potential today and tomorrow. To learn more, go to <u>bwconverting.com</u>.

ABOUT MONFORTS

A. Monforts Textilmaschinen GmbH & Co. KG was founded in 1884 and today celebrating its 140th anniversary is a leading supplier of textile dyeing and finishing machines as well as coating devices. The company is a market leader for stenters, continuous dyeing ranges, sanforising ranges and special executions for denim and for the coating of technical textiles and other special applications. The company's headquarters is located in Mönchengladbach, Germany. At its Advanced Technology Center (ATC) customers can undertake fabric trials on the latest Monforts equipment under real production conditions. For over 40 years, the company's production site has been in St. Stefan, Austria. Monforts is a member of CHTC Fong's Group. Visit monforts.de to learn more.

ABOUT ARCHROMA

Archroma is a global, diversified provider of specialty chemicals serving the branded and performance textiles, packaging and paper, and construction markets. Headquartered in Pratteln, Switzerland, Archroma operates with over 4,000 employees located in 42 countries and with over 30 production sites. Archroma is passionate about delivering leading and innovative solutions, enhancing people's lives and respecting the planet. The company is committed to the principles of "The Archroma Way to a Sustainable World"; an approach reflected in its innovations, world-class quality standards, high service levels and cost-efficiency.

ABOUT BARRY-WEHMILLER

Barry-Wehmiller is a diversified global supplier of highly engineered capital equipment and consulting services for a wide variety of industries. By blending people-centric leadership with disciplined operational strategies and purpose-driven growth, Barry-Wehmiller has become a \$3.6 billion organization with more than 12,000 team members united by a common belief: to use the power of business to build a better world. CEO Bob Chapman shares the story of the company's transformation in his book, *Everybody Matters: The Extraordinary Power of Caring for Your People Like Family*. To learn more, go to barrywehmiller.com.





