



## ebm-papst wins "AL-KO Supplier of the Year" award

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The best suppliers of the AL-KO KOBER GROUP were honoured in December 2011 with the "AL-KO Supplier of the Year" award. The prize is awarded for excellent supplier services in the five categories Performance, Reliability, Quality, Innovation and Cooperation.

Of the 500 companies approached, suppliers from more than ten different sectors took part. More than 60 were shortlisted for a supplier award. The AL-KO Supplier Award is presented to outstanding suppliers of the company's business segments Automotive, Air Conditioning Technology and Garden + Hobby.

ebm-papst Mulfingen emerged as winner in the 'Performance' category. ebm-papst supplies GreenTech EC fans to the company's Air Conditioning Technology business segment. These constitute a core component of AL-KO Therm ventilation units. In the very recent past, global supply shortages were experienced in electronic components. ebm-papst managed this situation outstandingly and supplies for AL-KO Therm were never in jeopardy.

"AL-KO Therm is a strategic reference customer for ebm-papst. We are extremely proud to be honoured as one of the best suppliers of AL-KO," explains Alfred Müller, Domestic Sales Manager at ebm-papst Mulfingen. "It also honours the excellent collaboration in the innovative projects that we have realised together with ebm-papst GreenTech EC modules in the equipment series EASYAIR® and EASYAIR® flat."

The AL-KO Supplier Award is an annual award for AL-KO suppliers who have excelled with excellent performance and with successful cooperation with the AL-KO KOBER GROUP. The declared objectives are to honour outstanding services and to provide motivation to improve our performance together.

Further information about the prize and about the other winners can be found at <http://www.al-ko.de/startseite-news|presse-6254.htm>  
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Figure 2: From left to right: Raymond Kober (Director, AL-KO Kober AG), Sebastian Bock (head of Purchasing, Ventilation and Air-Conditioning Technology, AL-KO Therm GmbH), Alfred Müller (Domestic Sales Manager, ebm-papst Muldingen GmbH & Co. KG), Reinhard Sommerreißer (Domestic Sales, ebm-papst Muldingen GmbH & Co. KG), Dr. Claus Kaluza (Senior Vice President, Strategic Purchasing – AL-KO Kober AG)

### About ebm-papst

The ebm-papst Group is the world's leading manufacturer of fans and motors and is a pacesetter for the ultra-efficient GreenTech EC technology.

In the last fiscal year 2010/2011, the company generated turnover of more than 1.3 billion euro. ebm-papst employs over 11,000 people at 17 production facilities (including Germany, China, USA) and 57 sales offices worldwide. Fans and motors of the global market leader are represented in many industries, including ventilation, air-conditioning and refrigeration technology, household appliances, heating engineering, in IT and telecommunications applications and in automotive and commercial vehicles engineering.

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