Mulfingen, Germany

ebm-papst Group, world market leader for fans and motors (with revenue of €1.7 billion and 13,000 employees), officially dedicated its new central distribution center in Mulfingen-Hollenbach at an opening ceremony on May 17. The complex was completed in only 15 months and gives the high-tech company a modern and efficient logistics processing facility. Every day, around 300 trucks leave the company from 51 loading bays to deliver to its customers, shipping about 1,700 pallets daily.

“We’ve grown a lot in the last few years, and that has increased the demands on our logistics correspondingly,” says Stefan Brandl, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the ebm-papst Group, in explaining the need for the new building. “That’s why we decided to combine our various outlying warehouses and local logistics facilities in a central distribution center.”

The main advantage of the new distribution center is its proximity to the ebm-papst production facility in Hollenbach. As Brandl says, “The plant in Hollenbach is our biggest supplier. With the connected locations, we save a lot of expensive and time-consuming intermediate transport of the products.”

The facility, which was built in accordance with the company’s GreenTech corporate guideline, was awarded platinum pre-certification by the German Sustainable Building Council, its highest standard.

Besides logistics, the new building also has plenty of space for other departments and divisions, such as trade fair construction and IT. ebm-papst invested a total of over 40 million euros in the project.

**Fig. 1:** Aerial view of the new distribution center in Hollenbach. Photo: Philipp Reinhard.

**Fig. 2:** Welcome to Hollenbach: The distribution center employs 160 logistics workers who make sure the products get to the customers on time. Photo: Philipp Reinhard.

**Fig. 3:** A packaging line in the Hollenbach distribution center – here the packages are checked for completeness. Photo: Volker Schrank.

**Fig. 4:** A package’s journey takes it along the conveyor belts. Photo: Philipp Reinhard.
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Fig. 5: Products head for the customer, properly and safely packed. Photo: Philipp Reinhard.

About ebm-papst
The ebm-papst Group is the world’s leading manufacturer of fans and motors. Since it was founded, the technology company has continuously set global industry standards. Its developments range from electronically controlled EC fans and aerodynamic improvements for fan blades to the use of resource-conserving materials, including renewable materials. In fiscal year 2015/16, the company achieved sales of almost €1.7 billion. ebm-papst employs over 13,000 people at 25 production sites (in Germany, China, the US and elsewhere) and in 49 sales offices worldwide. Fans and motors from the world market leader are used in many sectors, including ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration, household appliances, heating, automotive and drive engineering.