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SurfacePrep Announces Strategic Acquisition of Kuhmichel Abrasiv GmbH

Grand Rapids, MI – SurfacePrep, a leading provider of abrasive solutions and surface preparation services, today announced the acquisition of **Kuhmichel Abrasiv GmbH**, the European market leader in the distribution of high-performance blast media and abrasives.

Headquartered in Ratingen, Germany, Kuhmichel operates facilities across Germany, the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, Austria, Hungary, and Turkey, providing customers with local access to a comprehensive product portfolio and deep technical expertise. From its operations in Ballenstedt, Germany, Kuhmichel is also the largest recycler of abrasives in Europe, helping customers achieve sustainability goals while strengthening supply chain security.

"The acquisition of Kuhmichel represents a key strategic step in expanding our position in Europe and establishing SurfacePrep as the leading distributor of abrasive media and value-added services across the continent," said **Jon Dodge, President of SurfacePrep International**. "Kuhmichel's brand, technical expertise, and multinational presence are unmatched in Europe and will accelerate our ability to build a scalable, connected platform to better serve our customers. This acquisition is highly complementary, and we are excited to welcome so many talented Kuhmichel employees to the SurfacePrep team."

Dirk Grundei, CEO of Kuhmichel Abrasiv GmbH, added: "We look forward to capitalizing on the combined growth opportunities in both Europe and North America, while preserving what has made Kuhmichel special—our people, our brand, and our strong commitment to quality, expertise, and long-term customer relationships."

Together, the organizations will expand their global reach and enhance their ability to support customers with a broader portfolio of products, services, and technical capabilities.

"This partnership reflects the strong alignment between the SurfacePrep and Kuhmichel teams in how we operate and serve our customers," said **Mike Currie, CEO of SurfacePrep**. "We are thrilled to welcome the Kuhmichel team to the SurfacePrep family."

SurfacePrep will work closely with the Kuhmichel team to ensure a smooth integration while continuing to deliver the high standards of quality, service, and customer support that Kuhmichel is known for.

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