

PRESS RELEASE

profine agrees cooperation with Mikron Industries

profine GmbH currently concluded a cooperation agreement with the US company Mikron Industries, Inc.

Mikron Industries is the leading extruder of window profiles in North America. Headquartered in Kent, Washington, this company is a division of Quanex Building Products Corporation, a listed US corporate group specialising in energy efficient building products.

The future cooperation between profine and Mikron provides a working relationship to identify several areas of mutual interest with the potential to strengthen the global product offering and operational efficiencies.

Albrecht P. Lange, CSO of profine, stated: "In Mikron we have found a partner whose knowhow presents the optimal complement to our strengths. Specifically the development of energy efficient products will offer both partners highly promising potential for expanding both our positions in the market."

More information about Mikron and Quanex Building Products: <u>www.mikronvinyl.com</u> <u>www.quanex.com</u> 8 September 2011

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About profine:

profine GmbH - International Profile Group - is the world-wide leading manufacturer of plastic profiles for windows and doors as well as a notable supplier of shutter solutions and PVC sheets. The company was established in 2003, when HT TROPLAST consolidated its profile business activities (KBE, KÖM-MERLING, TROCAL) under one roof.

profine has a total of 3,200 employees at 28 locations in 21 countries. Around 1,800 of these employees work in Germany.

The production sites are located in Germany, France, Italy, Spain, Russia, Ukraine, the United States and China. The company headquarters is in Troisdorf (North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany).

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