Newcomer producing window profiles on a large scale in Algeria using extruders from KraussMaffei Berstorff

(Munich, September 27, 2016) Oxxo, the new subsidiary of the Cevital Group (head office: Kouba, Algeria), recently started using 23 twin-screw extruders to produce window profiles on 19 lines in Bordj Bou Arreridj near Algiers. The scope of supply also includes four co-extrusion combinations which manufacture window profiles with inexpensive core material.

Extension of the product portfolio with machines from KraussMaffei Berstorff

"We are very proud to count this newcomer among our customers in the area of window profile extrusion," said a delighted Peter Oswald, Head of Product Management at KraussMaffei Berstorff. "The order volume shows the extent to which Oxxo wants to position itself on the market," added Oswald. Window profile extrusion is enabling Cevital to establish an additional foothold alongside the already established product flat glass which is produced by the subsidiary Mediterranean Float Glas (M F G). The KraussMaffei Berstorff twin-screw extruders in the proven 32D Series and the conical models now well-established on the market are being used at the new production plant near Algiers both for window profiles and the production of roller shutter slats.

Intensive on-the-spot training for motivated operators

During an extensive training program, the machine operators were thoroughly acquainted with the functions and technology of the machines. "We would like to thank KraussMaffei Berstorff and its team of experts for their strong local commitment," said Hocine Medjahad, Director Supply Chain at Oxxo and in this function responsible for the installation and start of the entire plant. "Our employees obtained excellent basic knowledge with which they can now properly operate the machines according to production engineering criteria. As a newcomer, we also attach great importance to the
communication of systems competence which KraussMaffei Berstorff ideally provides in cooperation with Greiner Extrusion. Other process engineering training courses are planned in order to equip us with the necessary technological know-how to permanently manufacture competitive products. We will therefore consolidate our market position and secure competitive advantages”, added Hocine Medjahad.

**Newcomer with expansion plans**

The Cevital Group has been operating on the Algerian market in different industrial sectors since 1971. For example, the subsidiary Mediterranean Float Glass (M F G) - established in 2007 - produces many different types of flat glass for the construction industry and has a daily capacity of 1,400 tonnes. The products have been sold on both the domestic market and in Europe since 2008. Due to market strategy reasons, the company decided to include window production in its product portfolio. The windows are manufactured and marketed by the newly established subsidiary Oxxo. The annual production capacity will initially be around 720,000 windows. Other expansion stages will be gradually implemented.

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