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Additional manufacturing location in Mexico

Autoneum is increasing its local presence in Mexico by building an additional facility through UGN. The new plant in Silao is expected to start production of parts for Japanese car manufacturers towards the end of the year.

Thanks to its membership in the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and the associated advantages, Mexico has become an attractive production location for car manufacturers. To support the expansion initiatives of Japanese customers in this region, Autoneum is increasing its local presence together with its Japanese partner Nittoku by building a new UGN facility in Silao, Mexico. Silao is located in the state of Guanajuato about 220 miles (350 kilometers) northwest of Mexico City. Production of acoustic and thermal management components in the 60,000 square foot facility is slated to begin towards the end of the year.

Autoneum is already present in Mexico with a facility in Hermosillo, which mainly supplies parts to US car manufacturers. The expansion of Autoneum's local presence in Mexico is an answer to the growing demand in the automotive industry with North American production expected to grow to 17 million vehicles per year by 2016.

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About Autoneum

Autoneum, with headquarters in Winterthur, Switzerland, is the globally leading producer of vehicle acoustics and thermal management systems. The company develops and manufactures components, modules and complete systems for interior and engine bay as well as heatshields and underbody shields. Customers include leading automobile producers in the key markets of Europe, North America, South America and Asia. Autoneum is represented at about 50 locations in over 20 countries and employs some 9'800 people worldwide, of whom about 6% are in Switzerland. The company is listed since 2011 on the SIX Swiss Exchange (ticker symbol AUTN).

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