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A visit to TMD Friction (“TMD”) on Thursday April 25th at 16:30

Dear BCCG member,

Members and guests of the British Chamber of Commerce in Germany’s North Rhine-Westphalia Region are cordially invited to visit TMD Friction on Thursday April 25th.

Brake Friction is a material science business. Whilst the brake pad is a relatively low cost component to a vehicle, it is a high value, mission critical product and has a high impact on the overall safety and performance of the vehicle. Various technologies have developed historically in differing regions of the world reflecting differing driving customs, road infrastructure and market regulations. In addition to these differing standard (chemical formula) based products, carbon silicon carbide products have also been advancing in use, particularly for high end applications such as motor sport.

TMD Friction Group is the world’s leading manufacturing of brake friction materials. The group, with administrative headquarters in Leverkusen, employs around 4.800 people globally and operates 16 manufacturing sites on five continents. TMD develops and manufactures brake pads and lining for passenger cars and commercial vehicles as well as for motor sport (incl. cars in Formula 1, Le Mans, Porsche Cup) but also for industrial applications such as rail, mining and military vehicles and for wind turbines. A strong innovator in its sector, TMD runs 5 R&D centres and produces approx 800.000 brake friction products per business day globally.

In order to strengthen the regional ties between TMD - a Member of the BCCG in NRW- with other NRW Members of our Chamber, John Hudson, CEO of TMD, kindly invites a group of BCCG Members and guests to get to know TMD’s business. The visit will include a presentation on the development of the brake pad business, its importance to the automotive and railway business and some of the issues and key challenges facing the “friction” market of the future. Thereafter members will be invited to participate in a guided tour of the production facilities in Leverkusen. The event will be rounded off with an opportunity for further questions and networking in a convivial atmosphere.

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Our Program

- 16:30** Arrival at car park and welcome by John Hudson
- 17:00** Presentation - Developments in the Friction industry - Andrew Dilnot
- 18:00** Tour of production facilities
- 19:00** Drinks and light snacks with networking opportunity

Please park in the reserved spaces in the visitors' car park before the TMD main building.

TMD Friction
Schlebuscher Str. 99
51381 Leverkusen

Cost: Members Free of Charge
 Non Members 20 EUR (admin fee, payable on the event)

The event will be limited to 40 participants so please book early.

Please email your confirmation and add details of accompanying guests to gstreet@deloitte.de

We hope that you will be able to attend and look forward to seeing you at the TMD building.

Yours sincerely

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Fax Reply Form

Obligatory registration

for the BCCG event

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**Venue: TMD Friction
Schlebuscher Straße 99
51381 Leverkusen**

By Fax or e-mail: 069 75695 6788 (gstreet@deloitte.de)

Participant: _____

E-mail: _____

Tel.: _____

Address: _____

Please add your company's seal or similar

Member: Yes / No

Further participants: _____

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