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5D Project Management – Innovative Process Optimisation With iTWO: Max Bögl Group the First German Company to Use New 5D Software Solution of RIB

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NEUMARKT IN DER OBERPFALZ and STUTTGART, 28th January 2010. The Max Bögl Group, Germany's largest privately owned construction company, has decided to use the new software generation iTWO from RIB. By purchasing a company licence, the Group has set the course for the consistent switchover from RIB *CSuite* to the new software generation iTWO.

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With this step, Max Bögl, which belongs to the TOP 5 in Germany and the TOP 50 in Europe, is giving a clear sign: The changeover to an integrated model-based method of working underlines the construction company's constant focus on forward-looking innovation and new technologies.

'Progress is built on ideas' is a core component of the corporate philosophy of the Max Bögl Group. This explains the company's long-standing and extremely close involvement with the realisation of a model-based method of working in the construction industry. For example, the Max Bögl Group is one of the leading members of the 5D Initiative, an association of the European construction industry within the ENCORD Group for the development of new, process-oriented IT solutions for the engineering, execution and utilisation of construction projects.

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"So far there was no 5D software anywhere in the world specifically for the construction industry that we could use for end-to-end sustained support of our processes. In iTWO we have now found an integrated solution that meets all our requirements of model-based project management software. In particular, the certified integration with SAP ERP enables transparent project and business control with all the relevant data available online," Wolfgang Herrmann sums up.

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About RIB Group

RIB has a long-standing reputation going back almost 50 years for innovative design concepts and reliable cost control for the engineering and construction industries. With more than 12.000 customers around the world, RIB is one of the leading providers of process and cost management software solutions, bridging the gap between computer-aided design applications (CAD) and enterprise resource planning (ERP) systems. RIB's software solutions span the entire value chain of construction and infrastructure projects – including project conception, planning, budget preparation and tender processing, estimating, coordination, controlling, procurement and maintenance. Its users include leading construction companies, the public sector, architectural offices and engineering companies as well as key accounts in the process industries. Multi-lingual and multi-currency solutions ensure that international projects can also be mastered successfully. RIB's solutions are marketed around the globe via sales and service offices in Europe, the US, the Middle East and Asia.

About Max Bögl Group

Founded in 1929 by Max Bögl, the group based in Neumarkt, Germany, can look back upon a successful company history of more than 75 years. With annual sales in 2008 of Euro 1,3 bn and more than 5,700 staff worldwide, Max Bögl is not only to be found among the top 5 of German construction companies, in its third generation it is also the largest privately owned construction company in Germany.

Over the decades, the Max Bögl Group has continually developed from a mere construction company to an internationally operating technology and service company through innovations in technology and organisation. Certified in accordance with DIN EN ISO 9001:2000 and SCC, its activities range across all segments and degrees of difficulty in modern construction – from structural engineering and transport to civil engineering and tunnelling, steel and plant construction, system building construction, supply and disposal.

Without forgetting its core competence, viz. traditional construction, the holistic processing of complex construction projects, from planning, financing and execution to operating the building, serves the completion of the extensive service portfolio – always based upon our quality and innovation leadership, of course. More

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than 35 locations, production sites and representative offices all over the world – also in the UAE, China – develop new markets for sunrise products and underpin Max Bögl's international orientation.