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Press Release

**Coperion Announces Expansion of Switzerland Test Center to Enhance Capabilities**

*Niederlenz, Switzerland – February 2025* – Coperion K-Tron located in Switzerland, a global leader in feeding and pneumatic conveying technology solutions, is excited to announce the expansion of its state-of-the-art test center at its facility in Niederlenz. This strategic move is designed to enhance the company's capabilities, particularly for tests involving materials that require containment. The expansion will allow Coperion to conduct more comprehensive and diverse testing, providing customers with a broader range of solutions for their specific material handling needs. The new facility will be equipped with the latest technology and equipment, ensuring the highest standards of safety and efficiency. The addition to the Test Center will feature advanced containment systems for handling all types of materials, including an airlock system with filtration, ensuring the safety of both the testing process and the staff as well as the environment. This will allow the company to better serve industries such as battery, chemicals, pharmaceuticals, and food processing, where containment and hygienic requirements can be a critical concern.

"Coperion is committed to delivering the best possible solutions to our customers," said Marco Hadrys, Test Center Manager in Niederlenz. "The expansion of our Test Center is a significant step towards achieving this goal. It will enable us to conduct more extensive tests, particularly with materials that require containment, and provide our customers with even more reliable and efficient solutions."

**Customer trials and R&D to be conducted at newly expanded test center**
The purpose of customer tests is twofold: to confirm the handling of customer-specific bulk materials and to pinpoint and resolve any potential issues before the customer commits to a purchase. The goal of each test is to offer the customer the most suitable feeding and/or conveying equipment ensuring they feel confident in their decision for the most reliable technology available. In addition, the Test Center also provides opportunities to the Research and Development teams to test prototypes when developing new products or improving existing equipment and processes. Coperion performs an average of 150 tests per year in Niederlenz, testing a broad range of raw materials such as plastic pellets, granulates, powders, flakes or liquids as well as end products such as bottle caps, chocolate chips or breakfast cereal, from all industries (including plastics, battery, chemicals, food and pharmaceuticals).

The new addition is expected to be completed by April 2025, and the company looks forward to welcoming customers to the new facilities. “Coperion is confident that this investment will further strengthen our position as a leading provider of material handling solutions and contribute to our ongoing growth and success” said Michael Reinhard, General Manager at Coperion K-Tron (Switzerland).

The Test Center expansion in Niederlenz represents a significant enhancement to the global network of world class Coperion Test Centers, reflecting the company's commitment to innovation and customer support. This state-of-the-art facility not only increases the capacity for testing and development but also incorporates advanced technologies that enable more efficient and precise material processing evaluations. By providing a dedicated space for customers to conduct trials and optimize their processes, the Niederlenz expansion reinforces Coperion's role as a leader in the industry. It fosters collaboration and knowledge sharing, ensuring that clients can leverage the latest advancements in equipment and technology to meet their specific needs. Test results are incorporated into a global database covering over 15,000 materials.

With almost 125 years of experience in the manufacture of industrial equipment, the Coperion K-Tron site in Niederlenz is today a leading global supplier of process equipment. Innovative know-how is the cornerstone to reliable feeding systems and pneumatic conveying systems as well as comprehensive material handling systems.

**About Coperion**

Coperion ([www.coperion.com](http://www.coperion.com)) is a global industry and technology leader in compounding and extrusion systems, size reduction, washing, separating, drying, agglomeration, feeding, weighing, material handling and pneumatic conveying systems, as well as milling, mixing, thermal processing, dust collection and other services. Coperion develops, produces, and services plants, machinery, and components for the plastics and plastics recycling, chemical, battery, minerals, food and pharmaceutical industries. Coperion employs more than 5,000 people in its three divisions, Performance Materials, Food, Health & Nutrition, and Aftermarket Sales & Service - at over 50 sales and service locations worldwide. Coperion is an Operating Company of Hillenbrand (NYSE: HI), a global industrial company that provides highly-engineered, mission-critical processing equipment and solutions to customers serving a wide variety of industries around the world. [www.hillenbrand.com](http://www.hillenbrand.com)

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*Breaking ground on the much-anticipated expansion. From left to right: Keith Melton, Sales Manager Battery Industry, Marco Hadrys, Test Center Manager, Manfred Bossart, Facility Manager, Michael Reinhard, General Manager.*

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