

Group Communications

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Wuxi-Atlas Copco Compressor Company ISO 14001 certified

Stockholm, Sweden, November 12, 2001—An ISO 14001 certificate has been granted to Atlas Copco's product company in Wuxi, Jiangsu Province, in the Peoples Republic of China. The company manufactures screw compressors from 5 kW to 250 kW.

"Environmental issues have become very significant in China. As a leading company in our industry, Wuxi - Atlas Copco Compressor Co. has proven its commitment to put in place procedures and working practices that will allow it to further control and monitor the effects of our activities on the environment," said Mr Sun Dajian, Quality Assurance Engineer.

During the construction of the second factory expansion earlier this year, special attention was given to noise emission reduction, waste water and sewage treatment, materials recycling, oil- and combustible storage, while also steam provided by a central steam plant was chosen for the factory heating system.

One objective of the ISO 14001 Standard is to drive continuous improvement in a wide sense and provide quality products in full respect for the environment. Wuxi - Atlas Copco has committed itself to support both the development of the quality standards of the products and to make this environment clearer, healthier and safer.

Wuxi-Atlas Copco Compressor Co Ltd, based in Wuxi, Jiangsu Province, PRC, is a product company in the Atlas Copco Group manufacturing the whole range of Oil Injected Screw compressors under the Atlas Copco brand name and its products are distributed on the Chinese market. The company is part of the Oil-free Air division in the Compressor Technique business area.

Atlas Copco is an international group of industrial companies with its head office in Stockholm, Sweden. In 2000, the Group had revenues of more than SEK 46 billion, with 98 percent of revenues outside Sweden, and more than 26,000 employees. Atlas Copco companies develop, manufacture, and market industrial and professional tools, compressed air equipment, construction and mining equipment, and assembly systems and offer related service and equipment rental. For additional information go to www.atlascopco-group.com.