

PRESS RELEASE

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## Kongsberg Automotive awarded new contract valued at MEUR 24 on Seat Support in North America

Kongsberg Automotive has received a new order valued at MEUR 24 (205 MNOK) The new business includes delivery of seat support systems (pneumatic lumbar systems) to the North American market, where a major North American seat manufacturer is preparing the launch of a new seat within the passenger vehicle segment.

Start of production is scheduled for April 2012, and production will take place at the company's facility in Reynosa, Mexico.

The OEM customer is one of North America's leading car manufactures and this contract represents the confidence that manufacturer has in the Kongsberg product designs. It also confirms the increased emphasis on comfort in new vehicles.

"This award illustrates that pneumatic seat support systems, long popular in Europe, are gaining popularity in the North American market. As global leader in pneumatic and mechanical lumbar systems this award is an important step in expanding Kongsberg Automotive's North American market share in this segment", says Hans Peter Havdal, President at Kongsberg Automotive.

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Kongsberg Automotive is headquartered in Kongsberg, Norway and has 49 facilities in 20 countries on all continents. Kongsberg Automotive, with more than 9,000 employees, provides system solutions to vehicle makers around the world. The product portfolio includes gearshift systems, cables for a wide variety of applications, fuel lines, tubing and hoses, couplings, clutch actuation, stabilizing rods, seat heaters, seat ventilation, lumbar supports, head restrains, arm rests, steering columns, pedals, electronics and displays. Find more information at <u>www.kongsbergautomotive.com</u>.

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