

## Press Release

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(Market Abuse Regulation N° 596/2014)

### **SGL Carbon receives 42.9 million euros funding under IPCEI for graphite anode materials (GAM) in lithium-ion batteries**

- Funding in the amount of 42.9 million euros to 2028 for SGL Carbon GmbH from the German Federal Government and the Free State of Bavaria
- SGL Carbon project aims at European production of innovative anode materials as a key value-added step in electromobility

SGL Carbon GmbH, a 100% subsidiary of SGL Carbon SE, today received a funding notification for the development and industrialization of innovative anode materials made of synthetic graphite for use in lithium-ion batteries. The funding program is part of the second European IPCEI (Important Project of Common European Interest) / EUBatIn (European Battery Innovation) program, which aims at a competitive European value chain for lithium-ion batteries based on innovative and sustainable technologies.

SGL Carbon is one of a few manufacturers of synthetic graphite for anode materials in Europe. The company's contribution to the IPCEI project ranges from the development of anode materials with increased performance, energy-efficient and sustainable manufacturing processes to novel recycling concepts. It also includes scaling them up to pilot scale and finally mass production. Over the project lifetime until 2028, the goal is to also establish a closed cycle for this cell component. SGL Carbon has already created a solid foundation for the project through previous investments such as the battery application laboratory at its Meitingen site. The German federal government and the Free State of Bavaria provide funding for the SGL Carbon project totaling 42.9 million euros, which can be drawn down over the duration of the project. SGL Carbon will initially fund in advance the subsidized parts of the project at the respective time. The approved funding will then reimburse SGL Carbon for the depreciation from the investments as well as the operating expenses in connection with the funded project on a proportionally basis, up to a maximum of the stated funding amount over the term of the project.

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## About SGL Carbon

SGL Carbon is a technology-based company and world leader in the development and production of carbon-based solutions. Its high-quality materials and products made from specialty graphite and composites are used in industrial sectors that determine the future: automotive, aerospace, solar and wind energy, semiconductor and LEDs as well as in the production of lithium-ion batteries, fuel cell and other energy storage systems. In addition, SGL Carbon develops solutions for chemical and industrial applications.

**In 2019, SGL Carbon SE generated sales of around 1.1 billion euros. The company has approx. 5,100 employees at 31 locations in Europe, North America, and Asia.**

Materials, products and solutions from SGL Carbon are embedded in the major topics of the future: sustainable mobility, new energies and cross-industry digitization. Further developments in these areas demand more intelligent, more efficient, networked and sustainable solutions. This is where the entrepreneurial vision of SGL Carbon evolves around: contributing to a smarter world.

Further information on SGL Carbon can be found at [www.sglcarbon.com/press](http://www.sglcarbon.com/press).

### Additional Information:

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Listing: Amtlicher Markt / Prime Standard / Frankfurter Wertpapierbörse

(Official Market / Prime Standard / Frankfurt Stock Exchange)

OTC in Germany: Berlin, Düsseldorf, Hamburg, Hanover, Munich, Stuttgart, Tradegate Exchange

Company's seat: Wiesbaden

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