



PRESS RELEASE

Temporary injunction stops Gore-tex's "eco claim"

Munich / Unterföhring, 21 April 2017 – The district court of Hamburg sustained an injunction suit of Sympatex Technologies GmbH against W. L. Gore & Associates GmbH on 12 April 2017. Thus, Gore must no longer claim that the ecologically disputed PTFE – core of Gore's basic product – would be environmentally friendly on a broad environmental consensus to the extend it is produced without any PFCs of environmental concern – if Gore abides by its press release from 6 February 2017. The incorrect statement of the company that Greenpeace also endorsed this view is also part of the sustained injunction suit. The temporary injunction is a provisional regulation without any oral proceedings. However, Gore is able to lodge an appeal against it.

"We decided to take this step after the demand to correct this truth-perverting statement has been vain", explains Dr. Rüdiger Fox, CEO of Sympatex Technologies, the measure of his company.

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