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Press Release:

Another TESTEX customer takes a STeP ahead!

The Langfang Branch of Chinatex Leanfaith (Beijing) Apparel Co., Ltd. has been awarded “STeP by OEKO-TEX®”.

“The Langfang branch of Chinatex Leanfaith (Beijing) Apparel Co., Ltd. reaches an overall level 2 score STeP certification with regards to their structures, processes and management systems. The company has made great efforts, earning them a level 3 score for Social responsibility and safety. We are confident, that they are on the best way towards even better environmental processes and -manageability. The company produces high priced premium goods. This diversification allows to keep overtime working at a minimum, which is very rare for garment factories. Interviews with their staff confirmed our expectancy of a very high satisfaction.” Says TESTEX STeP auditor Richard Li regarding the certification.

STeP in detail

STeP is a management system for companies along the textile supply chain and represents a sustainable textile production. It covers areas such as the management of chemicals, environmental protection, environmental management, health, safety, social responsibility and quality management. Certification is possible for production facilities of all processing stages from fiber production, spinning mills, weaving mills, knitting mills to finishing facilities and manufacturers of ready-made textile goods.

Chinatex Leanfaith and STeP

Founded by the Chinatex Corporation and its predecessor Chinatex Baote Garment Co., Ltd. in 2014, the company is conveniently situated in the Langfang Development Zone. The area is better known as the "Beijing, Tianjin Golden Corridor" due to its exceptional transportation covering by sea, land and air. Chinatex Leanfaith's Langfang branch employs 76 staff members and has a yearly output of around 2.5 million pieces including jackets, T-shirts, shirts and trousers.

The company's main customers include Columbia, Union Bay and DHL. In order to fulfill the increasing expectations of their customers, Chinatex Leanfaith decided to strive for a STeP certification.

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