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## Volkswagen Group to establish new auto part packaging center in Wilhelmshaven

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- Decision taken on new packaging center near Jade-Weser-Port
- From 2019, Audi, Volkswagen and Volkswagen Commercial Vehicle parts are to be packed in Wilhelmshaven
- Reaction to growing demand on overseas markets
- More than 12,000 containers per year shipped to 15 overseas countries

Wolfsburg, January 30, 2018– The decision has been made: from 2019, auto parts for the Volkswagen Group are to be packed and prepared for the delivery to countries such as Mexico, China and the USA at the Jade-Weser-Port in Wilhelmshaven. With the new packaging center, the Volkswagen Group is reacting to the growing demand for vehicles on overseas markets. As a result, more and more parts such as headlamps, audio systems or steering wheels need to be exported for local production. The Volkswagen Group has selected a new location near the Jade-Weser-Port for a facility to pack these new volumes.



New packaging center for auto-parts From 2019, auto parts for the Volkswagen Group are to be packed and prepared for shipment to 25 locations in 15 overseas countries in Wilhelmshaven



Each year, auto parts are shipped in more than 12,000 containers In future, about 7,000 different vehicle parts for the Audi, Volkswagen and Volkswagen Commercial Vehicles brands will be shipped to Wilhelmshaven and packed in 250 containers each week. That corresponds to more than 12,000 containers per year.

Thomas Zernechel, Head of Volkswagen Group Logistics, says: "The decision in favor of the Wilhelmshaven location is of strategic importance of the Volkswagen Group. The Jade-Weser-Port is Germany's only deep sea port. With the packing facility, we will be establishing a direct connection to a port which will allow our parts to be carried by the largest ships in the world." From

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2019, parts for the Volkswagen, Audi and Volkswagen Commercial Vehicles brands are to be packed in Wilhelmshaven and then shipped to 25 locations in 15 overseas countries.

The new packaging center is to be built on land with an area of 100,000 m<sup>2</sup> directly next to the Jade-Weser-Port. It will consist of four halls with a total area of more than 40,000 m<sup>2</sup>. In future, about 7,000 different vehicle parts for the Audi, Volkswagen and Volkswagen Commercial Vehicles brands will be shipped to Wilhelmshaven and packed in 250 containers each week. That corresponds to more than 12,000 containers (40 ' high cube) per year. The packaging center is to be built by a private investor and construction work will start this year. Packing operations are due to start in 2019 and will be handled by a logistics service provider.



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