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The Daetwyler Group is expanding its product portfolio with the acquisition of Cheshire Anilox Technology Ltd.

The Daetwyler Group, headquartered in Bleienbach, Switzerland, is continuing to extend its product portfolio. With the acquisition of the privately held company Cheshire, Daetwyler is taking another step in its continuous growth strategy and strengthening its leading role in the printing industry.

With this investment, the Daetwyler Group is setting a significant milestone. The acquisition of Cheshire Anilox Technology further strengthens the Group's capabilities. Daetwyler SwissTec AG (Switzerland) is known worldwide as the market leader in doctor blades. Together with Rotoflex AG in Grenchen (Switzerland), which develops and distributes inks and coatings for flexible packaging and security applications, the group has extensive know-how in the printing sector. The core of the investment is the anilox rollers, which ideally complement the existing product portfolio – MDC doctor blades, MDC end seals, creping blades, inks and coatings as well as consumables. This wide range of products creates a unique competence centre for the pressroom.

Ralph Daetwyler, Group CEO, Daetwyler: *"Our in-depth understanding of processes has been the basis of our success for decades. Through the acquisition, we are expanding our technological expertise and thus creating tangible advantages for our customers. This acquisition is an important step in reliably meeting future requirements and actively driving the development of the industry."*

Objective and organisation - Cheshire will be integrated into the Daetwyler Group as an independent company. The Daetwyler Group acquired 100% of the shares in November 2025. The entire workforce and the existing corporate structure will remain in place even after the integration into the Daetwyler Group. In addition, this investment supports the consistent expansion strategy of the Daetwyler Group. Cheshire's management team will support Daetwyler with the integration and further expansion.

Sonia Arcos, Managing Director, Cheshire: *"The integration into Daetwyler's global sales structure is an important step for Cheshire. Together, we can open up new markets and expand our expertise with anilox rollers, doctor blades, inks and coatings in a targeted manner."*

Next steps - Currently, Cheshire's main markets are England and the EU. In order to serve the largest market for anilox rollers locally in the future, Cheshire's know-how will be used to gradually set up production for anilox rollers in the USA. The goal is to put a comprehensive, functional production plant within the upcoming project phase with engraving operational this calendar year. While the Cheshire name will not be established in the USA, its products will be launched under the nationally recognized brand name Daetwyler.

Paul Smith, former owner, Cheshire: *"The Daetwyler Group is the right buyer for me to lead my life's work into a strong future. I am pleased to be able to continue to support the development of the site in the USA in an advisory capacity."*

About Cheshire Anilox Technology Ltd., Manchester, UK - Cheshire is a manufacturer of high-quality laser-engraved ceramic anilox rollers that enhance the printing process. Since its inception in 1992, Cheshire Anilox Technology has continued to expand its presence into numerous market segments, including flexible packaging, corrugated board, labels, envelopes, can coating and offset. Today, the company is one of Europe's leading suppliers of anilox rollers and serves a loyal clientele base in over 100 countries worldwide.

Click here for the website: [Cheshire Anilox Technology](#)

About the Daetwyler Group, Bleienbach, Switzerland - The owner-managed Daetwyler Group includes Daetwyler SwissTec and Rotoflex AG. The companies serve customers with doctor blades, creping blades, inks and coatings for flexible packaging and security applications. They develop and distribute the consumables produced through a worldwide sales and distribution network. The Daetwyler Group employs more than 300 people at 10 locations worldwide.

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