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EFM presents digital process control at *inter airport*

Punctuality is a deciding factor when handling an aircraft. EFM – Gesellschaft für Enteisen und Flugzeugschleppen am Flughafen München mbH thereby trusts in its system of digital process control. This system speeds up the flow of work in ground handling – e. g. in towing and de-icing of aircraft – and makes the processes more economical. Now other ground handling suppliers as well as airports and manufacturers of ground handling vehicles can profit from EFM's many years of experience in this area. Under the brand name AvGround EFM presents its services in the area of process planning and management at *inter airport* Europe 2007.

The special advantage of EFM's system of digital process control is that it can be adjusted individually in several stages to the customers' needs and can be expanded if required. All services are available at a one-stop shop if desired: EFM carries out the process analysis, works out the concept and takes over the realization from the equipment of the vehicles to the installation of the network infrastructure to the software which controls and supervises the flow of work.

At Munich Airport EFM's system of digital process control has already been successful for several years in the area of de-icing. On behalf of PortGround GmbH EFM has just implemented a similar concept at Leipzig/Halle Airport. After a detailed process analysis and the drawing up of a tailor-made de-icing concept 16 de-icing vehicles – among other devices – were equipped with computers and interfaces and a WLAN network was installed. Recently the software which was specially programmed for Leipzig/Halle Airport was implemented and the de-icers were trained. So the re-organization of the aircraft de-icing is finished and Leipzig/Halle Airport is set up to be an up-coming European air cargo hub.

inter airport Europe 2007 takes place from 9 to 12 October 2007 at Munich Airport. You will find EFM at the stand of Munich Airport Authority (Hangar 4, Stand B90).

EFM – Gesellschaft für Enteisen und Flugzeugschleppen am Flughafen München mbH was founded in 1992 as a joint venture between Deutsche Lufthansa AG and Flughafen München GmbH. EFM's services include towing/pushback, de-icing and air-conditioning of aircraft as well as training, consultation and technical support in these areas. EFM currently employs 121 people, including 107 tractor drivers/de-icers. The fleet includes 22 towing tractors and 24 de-icing vehicles. Each year, EFM carries out up to 137,000 towing/pushback operations and up to 13,000 de-icing operations.

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