

# ACCELERATING THE ENERGY TRANSITION

ALD Heat Treatment Services (HTS): - Automotive • Powertrain • Systems



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# CORPORATE STRUCTURE - AMG BUSINESS SEGMENTS



AMG is a global critical materials company that produces highly engineered specialty materials and provides vacuum furnace systems and services to the transportation, infrastructure, energy and specialty metals & chemicals end markets.

## AMG LITHIUM

- AMG's Lithium segment spans the lithium value chain, reducing the CO<sub>2</sub> footprint of both suppliers and customers.
- Composition:
  - AMG Brazil
  - AMG Lithium GmbH
  - AMG Lithium Portugal
  - Zinnwald Lithium PLC

## AMG VANADIUM

- AMG Vanadium is the world's market leader in recycling vanadium from oil refining residues.
- Composition:
  - AMG Vanadium AMG
  - Titanium
  - AMG Chrome
  - Shell AMG BV

## AMG TECHNOLOGIES

- AMG Technologies is the established world market leader in advanced metallurgy and provides equipment, engineering and services globally.

- Composition:



- ALD 
- LIVA
- AMG Silicon
- AMG Graphite
- AMG Antimony

- Approx. 3,600 employees
- Founded 2006, IPO July 2007
- Euronext listed

FY 2025

Revenue \$ 1.77 Billion

# CORPORATE STRUCTURE - AMG ENGINEERING - HEAT TREATMENT SERVICES



## Key Facts

- Over 100 years of experience in vacuum metallurgy and heat treatment
- Engineering facilities in Germany, France, USA, China and India
- Four Heat Treatment Service (HTS) centers in Germany, the U.S., Mexico and China
- Approximately 950 employees



# ald GLOBAL HTS FOOTPRINT

Port Huron MI, US



ALD Headquarters  
Hanau, Germany



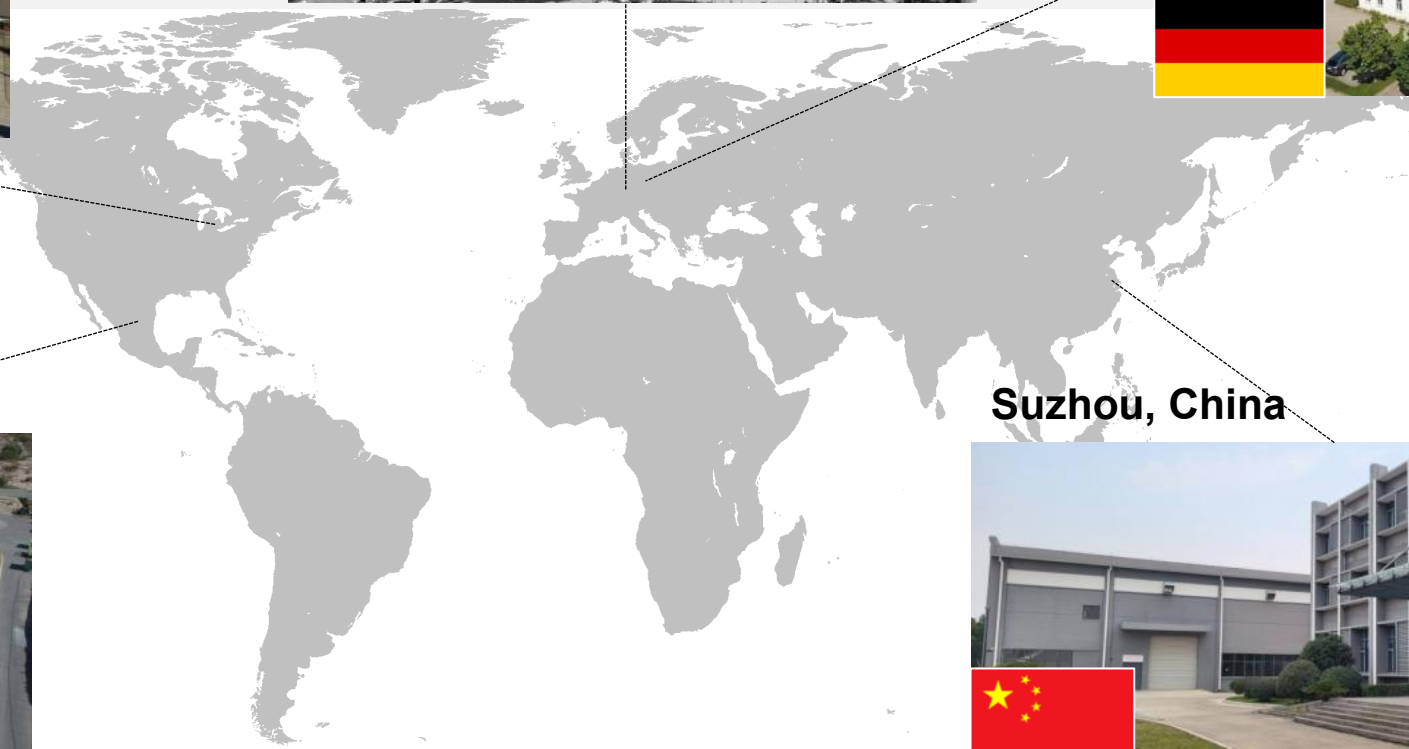
Limbach-Oberfrohna, Germany



Ramos Arizpe,  
Mexico



Suzhou, China



# ALD VACUHEAT GmbH

## LIMBACH-OBERFROHNA, GERMANY

**Established 1999/2000**

### Technologies/Services:

- LPC & HPGQ (ModulTherm®, VZKQ)
- Tempering
- Brazing
- Annealing
- De-Oiling

### Capacity:

- 3 ModulTherm® systems with 14 treatment chambers
- 3 Dual chamber furnaces
- Various other pre & post processing facilities

### Production Record:

**>250 Million Injection Components**

- (approx. 60 Million Cars)
- 0 Field ppm since 2000 SOP



### Equipment



ModulTherm-4 System with individual Vacuum pump sets



De-Oiling Furnace (for PM Parts)

# ALD THERMAL TREATMENT, INC. PORT HURON, MI USA

**Established 2006**

## **Technologies/Services:**

- LPC & HPGQ (ModulTherm®)
- Washing / Pre-Oxidation / Tempering
- Gas Nitriding / Ferritic Nitro Carburizing (FNC),
- Abrasive After Treatment (Shot Peen/Blast)
- In line Cryogenics



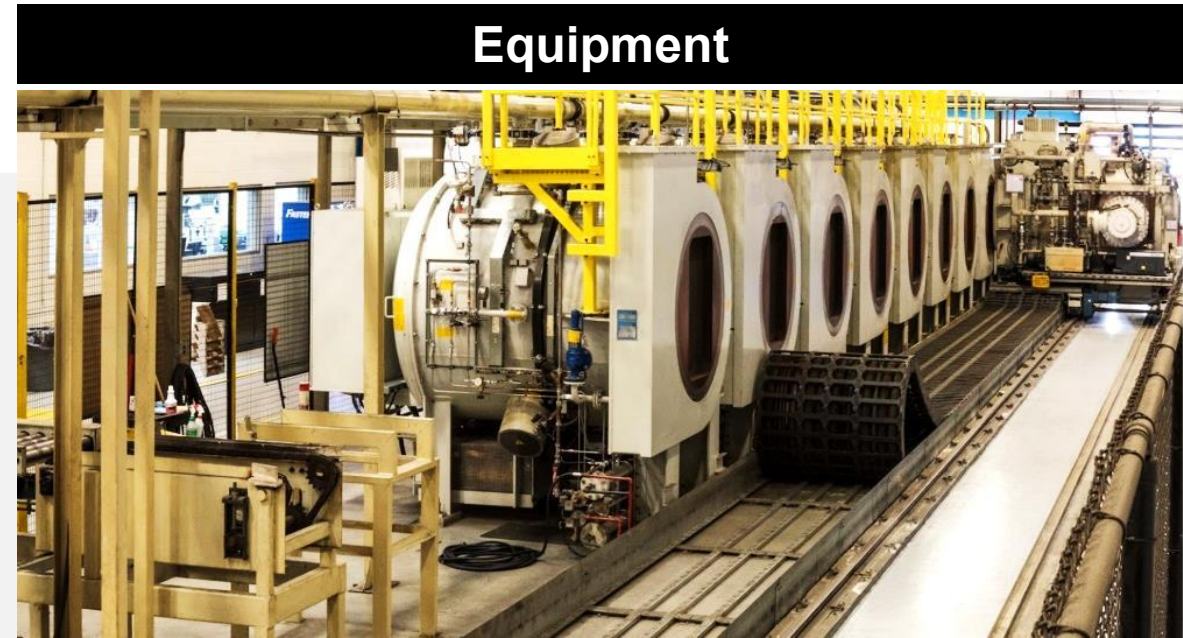
## **Capacity:**

- 4 ModulTherm® Systems with **24** treatment chambers
- 2 VZKQ Dual chamber furnaces & 2 Nitriding furnaces
- Various other pre & post processing capabilities
- 2 digital gear dimensional checkers

## **Production Record:**

### **>12 Million Automatic Transmissions**

- Components for up to ~5,500 Transmissions/Day (60-70 Tons/Day)
- Zero Field ppm since 2006 SOP



**ModulTherm-4 Furnace System**



**Metallurgical Lab**

Hardness testers and M&M Machine | Spectrometer and microhardness testers

# ALD TRATAMIENTOS TERMICOS S.A. DE C.V. RAMOS ARIZPE, MEXICO

**Established 2008**

## **Technologies/Services:**



- Low Pressure Carburized & HPGQ (ModulTherm®)
- Washing / Pre-Oxidation / Tempering
- Gas Nitriding / Ferritic Nitro Carburizing (FNC), Post Oxidation
- Abrasive After Treatment (Shot Peen/Blast)
- Annealing
- T5 for Aluminum

## **Capacity:**

- **3** ModulTherm® Systems with **17** Treatment Chambers
- **1** VZKQ Dual Chamber & **2** Nitriding furnaces
- Various other Pre & Post Processing Facilities
- **1** digital gear dimensional checkers
- Extensive Equipment Service Capabilities

## **Production Record:**

### **>9 Million Automatic Transmissions**

- Components for up to ~3,500 Transmissions/Day (45-55 Tons/Day)
- Zero Field ppm since 2008 SOP

## **Process Equipment**



**ModulTherm-17 Furnace System**



**2 Nitriding Furnaces**  
(Payload 2.5 tons)



**Abrasive Post Process**

# ALD TRATAMIENTOS TERMICOS S.A. DE C.V. RAMOS ARIZPE, MEXICO

## Metallurgical Lab Equipment

**Established 2008**

### Services:

- Full Metallurgical Sample Preparation (Cutting, Grinding, Polishing, Etching)
- Surface/Core Hardness Testing (HRC, HRA, HR45N, HR30N, HR15N)
- Micro Hardness Vickers (100 gr up to 30Kg Load)
- Microstructural Evaluation
- Chemical Analysis
- Dimensional Analysis Pre/Post Heat Treat

### Capacity:

- 3 cutting machine
- 3 mounting metallographic samples
- 4 Polishing/Grinding machines
- 3 Hardness Testers
- 1 MicroHardness Tester
- 1 Microscope
- 1 Spectrometer for chemical analysis
- 1 Dimensional Gear Analyzer



# ALD THERMAL TREATMENT (SUZHOU) CO., LTD SUZHOU CHINA

## Equipment available in phase 1 :

- 1 ModulTherm® system with 6 treatment chambers
- 7 Temper furnaces
- 2 Industrial washer
- 3 Pre-oxidation furnaces
- Cryogenic units (upon request)
- Metallography and related equipment



## As expert in vacuum heat treatment, we offer:

- Low Pressure Carburizing (LPC)
- High Pressure Gas Quenching (HPGQ) with N<sub>2</sub> / He
- Vacuum Processing
  - Neutral hardening, brazing, annealing
- Pre-cleaning
- Tempering
- Cryogenics (upon request)
- Rust protection after treatment
- Metallurgical analysis
- Heat treatment consultancy
- Certified quality management

Wujiang Economic and  
Technological  
Development Zone

## Equipment



**ModulTherm-6 Furnace System**



# WHY CHOOSE ALD?

- World Leader in LPC/HPGQ with over 50 Years of Operational Experience  
>1 Billion parts processed with 0 field ppm's
- Delivering Minimal and Predictable Distortion Control
- Quality Control: (GM Supplier Quality Excellence Award in many consecutive years)
- Traceability; Individual part traceability is possible (2D matrix pre-heat treat)
- On-time delivery with quick turnaround times
- Root cause analysis expertise
- Fast response for development
- Unique R&D capabilities



# WHERE IS ALD'S EXPERTISE?

- Any parts requiring low & predictable distortion with superior quality control
  - Gears for automotive, aerospace, industrial, commercial vehicles and all other applications
  - Driveline systems (Joints, Cages, Tripods, Spiders)
  - Cam shafts and sliding cams
- Powder metal parts (e.g. Gears for automotive powertrain systems)
- Shafts and crankshafts
- Thin-walled parts (synchronizer rings, actuator components, bearing races, etc.)
- Parts with blind holes
- Fuel injection parts
- Anything hard to clean / parts with higher cleanliness requirements



# SYSTEMS WE SUPPORT

## BEV Drive Units

- Drive Gears, Ring Gears, Motor Rotor Shafts, Drive Pinions
- Production since 2022
- Launches in 2023 & 2024
- More than 600 trial loads since 2020

## Hybrid Transmissions

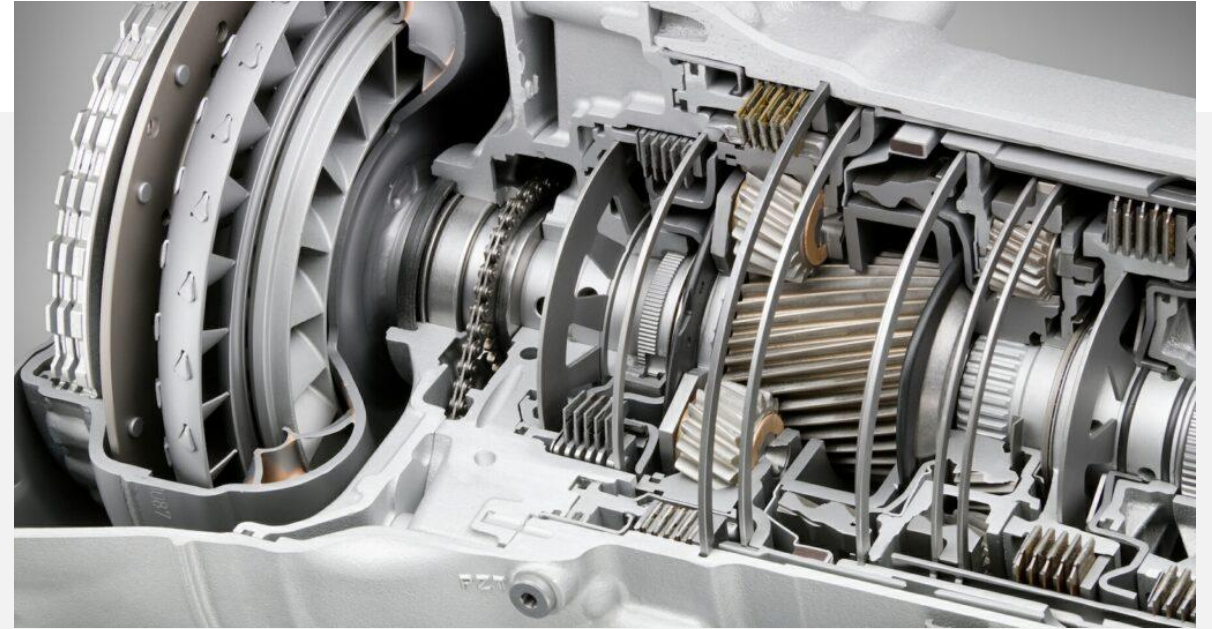
- Ring Gears
- Production since 2018

## IC Engines

- Injection Components, Cam Shafts, Sliding Cams
- Production since 1999

## IC Transmissions

- Internal Drive Gears, Ring Gears, Pinion Gears (All GM FWD, All components)
- Production since 2006



## IC Driveline Components

- Transfer Case Shafts, Transfer Case Cam Levers
- Production since 2009

## Aerospace

- Bearing races for 737 – Max wing flap systems

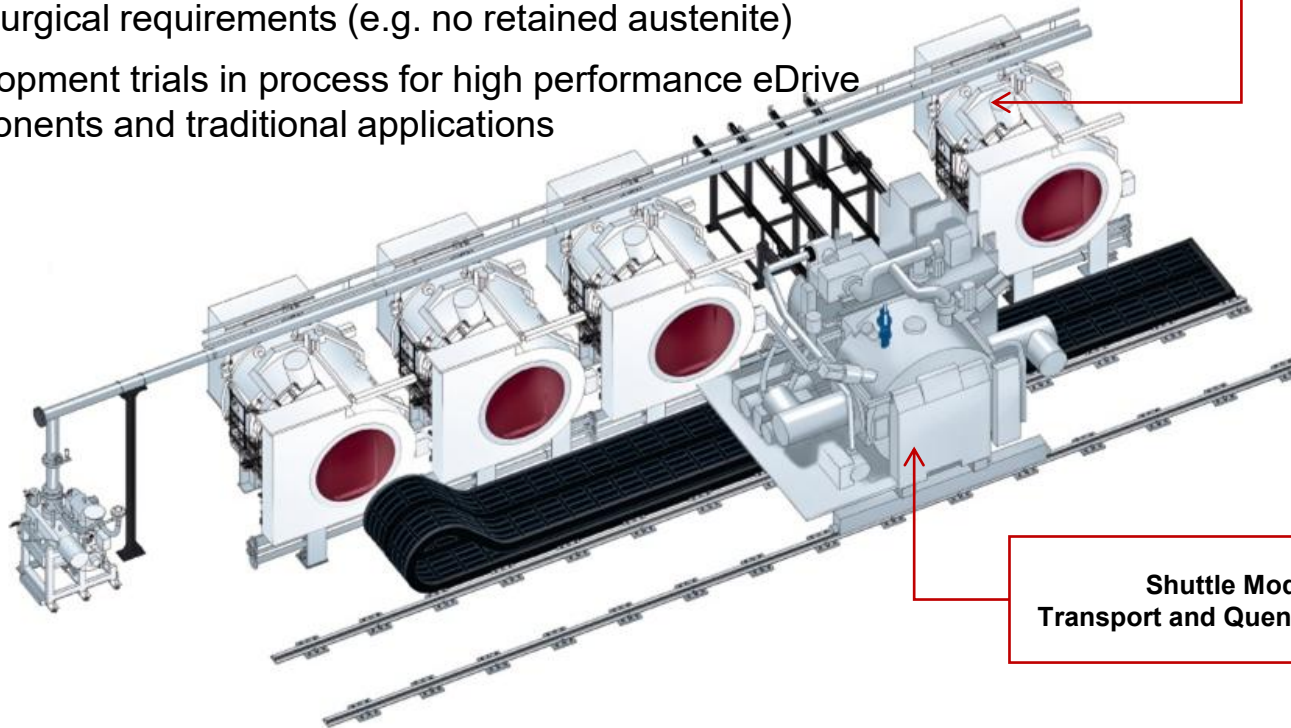
## Passive Energy Creation

- Worm gear drives for solar panel rotation motors

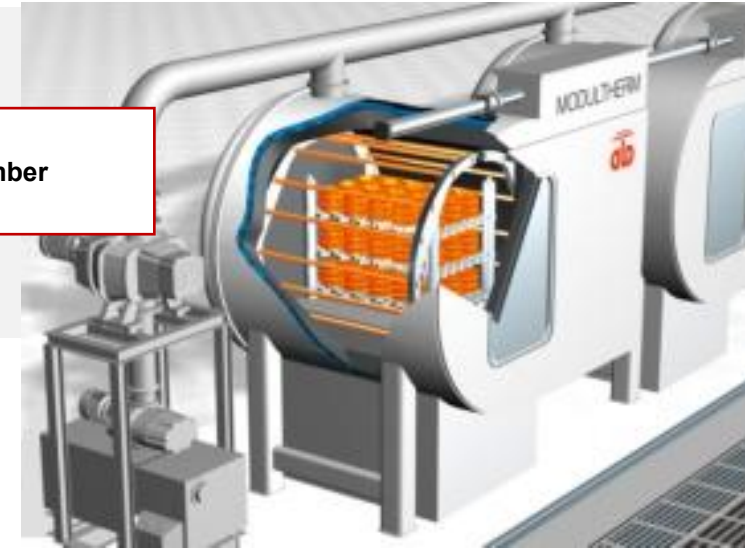
# WHAT WE DO AND HOW WE DO IT

## ModuTherm® (LPC & HPGQ)

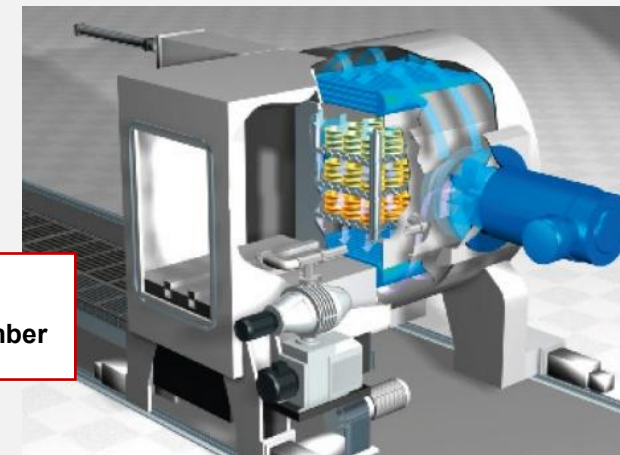
- Best-in-class for superior distortion control
- Elimination / minimization of hard finishing of processed parts
- Capability for Helium or Nitrogen quench
- Cryogenic processing in place for specific metallurgical requirements (e.g. no retained austenite)
- Development trials in process for high performance eDrive components and traditional applications



Treatment Chamber



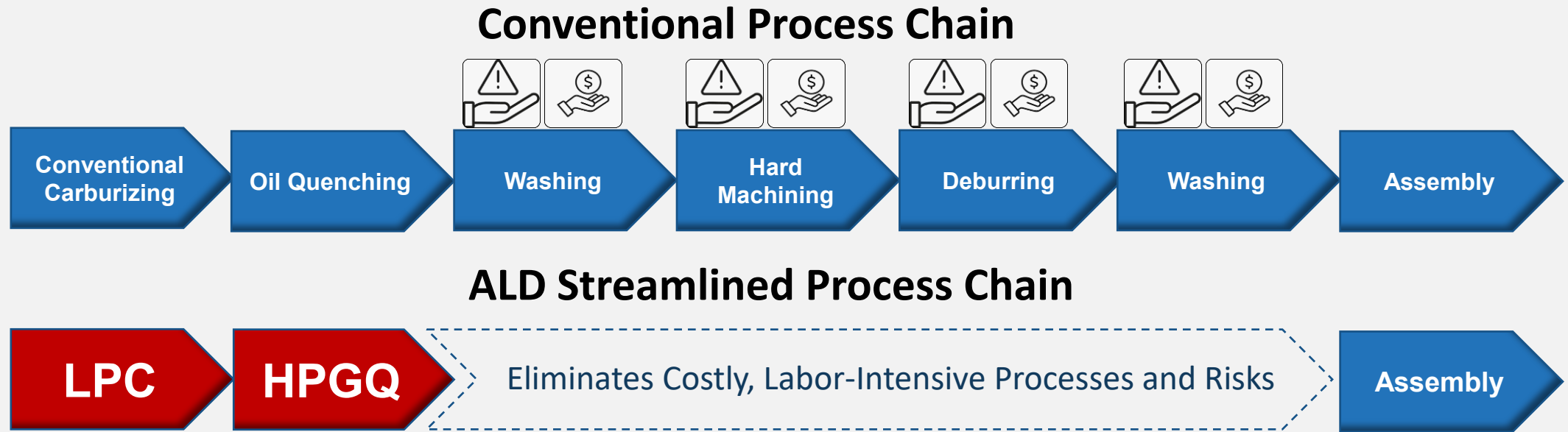
Shuttle Module  
Transport and Quench Chamber



# ALD MODULTHERM BIC FEATURES

- Doors and sealing systems optimized: maximize up time, minimized maintenance downtime.
- Redundant pumps: maximize up time.
- Best-in-Class temperature homogeneity: consistent metallurgy throughout the load.
- Carburizing optimization:
  - Reduced carbon build up: less and easier maintenance.
  - Convection heating: fast heat up, less time in the chamber.
- Quenching technology:
  - Turbine blades designed for long life, high loads.
  - Simple robust gas reversing possibilities for distortion optimization.
- Simple controls, intuitive HMI.
- Simple optimized transfer mechanisms and logic: minimal temperature loss from treatment chamber to quench, minimal wait time.

# ALD'S TOTAL COST ADVANTAGE



## Benefits of HPGQ vs. Liquid Quench

- Reduced Distortion
- Clean Surfaces
- Better Fatigue Resistance
- Minimal Variation (load to load)
- Fewer Steps ➔ Less Cost
- Clean Shiny Parts
- Environmentally Friendly
- Flatness & Additional Distortion Control

# CERTIFICATES, AWARDS & HIGHLIGHTS

## Certified to:

- IATF 16949 : 2016
- AS9100D\*
- ISO 9001 : 2015
- Nadcap



## Compliant to:

- CQI-9
- OHSA 18001
- ISO 27001
- ISO 14001



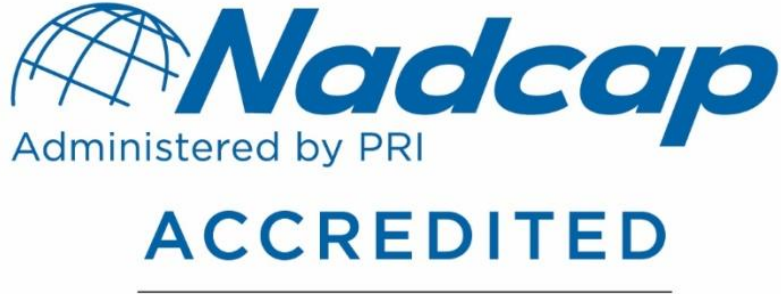
\*Recommended for Continued Certification

## GM Supplier Quality Excellence 10 years running in Port Huron, 8 years in Ramos



- Safety: On Average <1 LTA/year (>1500 days in PH, >700 days in Ramos)
- Low employee turnover in all facilities
- International Engineering Network (DE, US, MX, CN) including unique expertise in the world

# CERTIFICATES, AWARDS & HIGHLIGHTS



ALD is capable of adhering to aerospace material specifications for multiple alloy families related to:

- Stress Relieving
- Low-Pressure Carburizing (LPC)
- Gas and Solution Nitriding
- Neutral Hardening
- Vacuum Heat Treating.



# ENVIRONMENTAL EFFICIENCIES

## The Dry Gas-Quenching Process:

- **No CO<sub>2</sub> emissions**
- >98 % of Helium gas used in quenching is recycled for reuse
- No disposal of waste washing water or polymer oil quench baths
- High energy efficiency due to low thermal loss
- Low noise emission

## The Facility:

- Reduced electricity consumption since 2016 through equipment upgrades and Lean manufacturing
- **DTE Electric plans to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 90% by 2040**
- 67% of all wastes generated or received during processing is recycled by mass
- Actively prevent stormwater pollution through run-off filtration



# PROVEN PRODUCTION QUALITY

## ALD VACUHEAT Limbach-Oberfrohna:

Processed > 250M high pressure fuel injection nozzles

- 0 field ppm since 2000

## ALD Port Huron:

Processed > 235M parts for GM in PH @ 0 field ppm since 2006

- Supported > 12M transmissions
- Processed > 180M parts for other customers in PH @ 0 field ppm since 2006

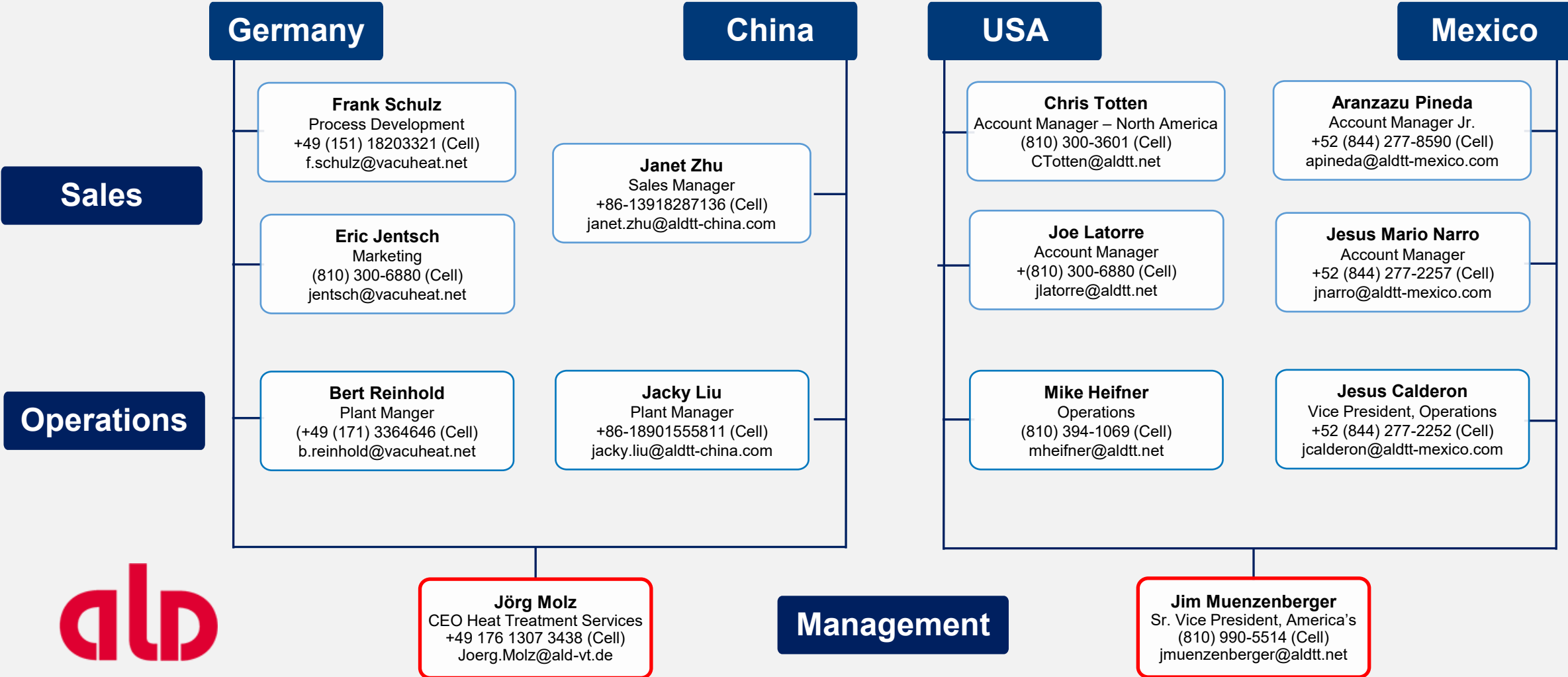
## ALD Ramos:

Processed > 120M parts in Ramos @ 0 field ppm since 2008

- Supported > 8M transmissions



# ALD SUPPORT TEAM CONTACTS



# SAMPLE OF HEAT TREATMENT PARTS (I)



Gears



Shafts



Driveline Systems Joints



# SAMPLE OF HEAT TREATMENT PARTS (II)

Driveline Systems Cages



Tripods



Spiders



Crankshafts



Sprockets



Pistons



# SAMPLE OF HEAT TREATMENT PARTS (III)

Races



Couplings



Drill bits



Steering Nuts



Dies



Bearings



# SAMPLE OF HEAT TREATMENT PARTS (IV)

Drive Transfer



Internal Gears



Arrow Heads



Injector bodies



Studs for Aircraft



Engine Lobes



# THANK YOU

## Future Mobility & Energy Transition



### RELIABILITY

Proven Systems for Continuous Operation

### SUSTAINABILITY

Setting Pace with global trends

### AUTOMATION

System Integration & Process Monitoring

### INNOVATION

New Technologies, Materials & Processes