To customers of the Marquardt Group

- to whom it may concern -

Corona virus – Force majeure situation

Dear valued customer,

More and more countries where the Marquardt Group has production facilities have started to take drastic measures to slow down the spread of Covid-19. These measures already have a significant impact on the supply chain.

The companies of the Marquardt Group are severely affected by such restrictions. Production facilities of the majority of our customers have been or are currently in shut down situation, partly due to governmental restrictions, they do no longer request deliveries from us.

Due to the overall circumstances, we are now also forced to take more extensive measures and to reduce or interrupt our business operations, in part also due to official orders. In doing so, we are guided by the latest advice and information from the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Robert Koch Institute (RKI) for Germany and the country-specific institutes, respectively, and follow the recommendations of the international and national local authorities.

As a result, we are anticipating that our production and delivery schedules may be affected, and hindered by difficulties in getting available transportation afterwards. We anticipate that the same situation will apply to our sub-suppliers, which will further affect our production and delivery schedules.

The complete extent of this crisis and its long-term effects to the global industry and our contractual relationship specifically are not foreseeable at the moment to all of us. We expect this situation to be continued in other countries as well.

Based on our previous information to you and due to the current status of the corona virus proliferation in the EU and globally we have to expand our force majeure declaration accordingly.

Based on this force majeure event we won't be liable for any resulting costs or damages which might occur to your company based on any interruption or delay in the supply chain which is based on this event/situation.

The companies of the Marquardt Group have taken various actions to minimize the impact of corona virus on the distribution and assure and will be able to fulfil the deliveries produced so far.
As the situation continues to evolve on an hourly basis, it is vital that we continue to communicate and coordinate with each other to ensure that the negative impact of Covid-19 on the supply chain and on our and your business is minimized.

We are monitoring further developments very closely and will resume our business operations flexibly and in accordance with the recommendations and requirements of the health authorities as soon as possible.

Best regards

MARQUARDT GmbH