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KRONEN expands solar plant for fresh produce processing

The plant was already installed back in 2016 and was expanded in August 2022. The expansion enables KRONEN GmbH to meet a substantial proportion of the power requirements for its sites in Kehl-Goldscheuer and Achern itself.

The new additional panels were installed on the roof of the company's building in Kehl in the summer. The building includes part of KRONEN headquarters, which is home to both its administration department and the production activities for the food machines that KRONEN manufactures itself and delivers to around 120 countries worldwide.



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The company has additionally been running a site in the German town of Achern since 2020. The Achern location is home to its WS Edelstahltechnik division, which works as a supplier of turned and milled components.

"It is important to us to act responsibly, and this is also anchored in our corporate values. For us, it means accepting responsibility, not only in terms of our employees and customers but also for the environment," said KRONEN's Managing Partner, Stephan Zillgith.

"As a company, we place value on contributing to a reduction in CO2 emissions. Our solar plant, which was installed in 2016 and has now been expanded, enables us to generate 200 kW peak. As a result, we ourselves are able to produce a large amount of the electricity that we consume. At present, this is doubly worthwhile given that the costs for purchased energy are increasing significantly," he added.

The solar plant is just one aspect of the company's efforts to operate sustainably. It installed its first charging stations in 2018, which can be used to charge both its first electric company car and the electric vehicles of its employees. For KRONEN GmbH, sustainability also means factoring in energy and water consumption and the durability of its machines and systems when developing its own solutions.

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