

**TECHNICAL INFORMATION****Award for MAHLE AF 112 G and AF 172 G automatic filters**

MAHLE Industrial Filtration receives an award from the Initiative for Small and Medium-Sized Businesses as part of the 2008 Industry Prize.

For the third time, the Initiative for Small and Medium-Sized Businesses awarded the Industry Prize for innovative products and solutions from industry that stand out due to their superior utility and functionality. This year, MAHLE AF 112 G and AF 172 G automatic filters received an award as especially interesting products in the category of mechanical engineering. An independent jury, consisting of professors, scientists, technical journalists, and industry experts from the specific areas, evaluated over 600 submissions in 21 categories, and presented the winners at the Hannover Messe 2008 industrial fair. One overall winner and one winner per category were selected. In each category there was also the possibility of receiving an award.

The MAHLE Group is one of the 30 largest automotive suppliers worldwide. As the leading manufacturer of combustion engine components, systems and peripherals, MAHLE is among the top 3 suppliers for piston systems, cylinder components, valve train systems, air management systems and liquid management systems. MAHLE employs approximately 48,000 employees in 110 production plants and seven research and development centers. In 2007, MAHLE generated sales in excess of EUR 5 billion (USD 7.5 billion).

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