

Dodge and RAM cars importer AEC Europe adjusts parts and accessories department to the increasing demand, outsourcing logistics operations to Yusen Logistics Benelux

AEC is a cooperation partner of Fiat Chrysler Automobiles (FCA) and an official importer of DODGE and RAM vehicles into Europe. After repeatedly accomplishing record-breaking car sales numbers, the demand for service and spare parts continues to grow. Therefore AEC Europe now announces a significant expansion of their parts and accessories department.

AEC's services offer access to more than 500.000 different OEM parts and accessories to their European dealer network, including fast moving parts, spares, service and maintenance parts, their own line of accessories, special parts exclusively developed for European customers, and a dedicated portfolio of accessories that is available on vehicle order for installation at the AEC Vehicle Processing Center based in Antwerp, Belgium. The department uses a global network of suppliers and experts to cater technical solutions specifically to the needs of their partners.

To align the spare parts logistics with the increasing demand, AEC decided to outsource supply chain, consolidation, logistics operations and European Distribution to the global logistics solutions provider Yusen Logistics, that has a track-record in supporting the business of various large automotive OEMs. The AEC warehouse facility recently moved from Kallo (Belgium) to Melsele (Belgium), maintaining a close connection to the Antwerp Harbor, offering up to 3000 square meters of storage.

"One of our main objectives is to keep stock in a very flexible and efficient way that allows us to ramp up the service level for our network and at the same time tailor our inventory to the specific customer requirements. This approach facilitates a short-term delivery system and helps us to keep costs under control." says Daniele Rossa, Parts & Accessories Manager at AEC.

Yusen Logistics is delighted to start the spare parts logistics operation for AEC Europe. Together with AEC, Yusen will set up a European Distribution Center to supply the aftermarket spare parts to the AEC dealer network. Yusen Logistics will perform the customs clearance activities, reception control of the parts, storage, repacking, as well as the onwards delivery. The latest AEC Parts & Accessories Catalog can be accessed online by every one of the over 130 licensed retail partners all over Europe. All AEC parts ranging from small up to large bedliners will be stored in the Yusen Logistics automotive warehouse in Melsele, Belgium. Yusen Logistics and AEC Europe are looking forward to a successful co-operation for this challenging setup.

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Notes for the editors:

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RAM 1500 equipped with accessories, which are distributed from the Yusen Logistics Antwerp districenter, Belgium, to AEC dealers all over Europe.

About AEC Europe

As an official importer of the Fiat Chrysler (FCA) Dodge & RAM branded vehicles and parts in Europe, AEC (Auto Export Corporation) Europe is responsible for the distribution and retail network development of the American brands. Over 130 European AEC dealers were officially appointed and authorized by the manufacturer. The service portfolio of the importer towards its network includes market homologation, warranty, parts, recall administration as well as financial services but also certification and training.

About Yusen Logistics:

Yusen Logistics is a globally operating logistics service provider with storage, warehousing, distribution, air / ocean freight forwarding and supply chain management in its service package. The global headquarters of Yusen Logistics is based in Tokyo and with regional headquarters for East Asia, South Asia / Oceania, Europe and America. In Europe, Yusen Logistics has over 4,300 employees and 78 operational sites, with over 700,000 m² of warehouse capacity.

The Yusen Logistics organization in the Benelux includes a total of 14 branches in the Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg and Sweden. More than 800 employees work at Yusen Logistics Benelux.

For the automotive industry, Yusen Logistics provide services ranging from Inbound Procurement to Finished Vehicle Transportation. The multi complex structures of the automotive industry supply chains impose big challenges on logistics services and require expertise in the design of supply chains, process planning and operations efficiency.

Yusen experts in each global region will work closely with their clients in order to provide tailor-made solutions to meet any specific needs and requirements. Yusen Logistics' world-wide supply chain solutions for the automotive industry include inbound procurement, Just-in-time production logistics, service parts distribution and finished vehicle transportation.

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