

EXAMINATION REPORT BY COMPANY KETTEN WULF



Unfortunately, I had to remove the examination report published here up until 23.11.2015, since company Ketten Wulf has filed for injunctive relief against publication of this examination report, given that it did not wish the results of the then examination, spanning several years, on a chain load simulator regarding the wear behaviour between a conventional chain wheel and my self-adjusting chain wheel, to be made available to the public. Incidentally, this examination was performed in cooperation with the Fraunhofer Institute.

In the course of the licence agreement between company Ketten Wulf and myself, no non-disclosure agreement had been in place. Nonetheless, Ketten Wulf takes the view that this examination report was subject to so-called „small change“. For the purpose of clarification: Wikipedia says the following under “Kleine Münze“ [small change]:

“[The copyright law of Germany calls **small change** such works which are situated at the lower limit of a work just protected by copyright. The term refers to designs which meet the requirements of a copyright concept of work and are thus eligible for legal protection in principle. However, these have only limited creative expressiveness (so-called threshold of originality) which, on the other hand, calls into question their worthiness of protection. German law has ever since accepted *small change* as worthy of copyright protection, except for commercial graphic art or applied art serving an intended use].”

I do not wish to comment on this.

First, I wanted to quote the examination report but then I decided to no longer pay any attention to this report. Anyway, I had not published it here so as to defame company Ketten Wulf but solely to inform the operators that my invention of a self-adjusting chain wheel has been known to the German chain industry since 2003 already.

The best proof of the impeccable functioning of the self-adjusting chain wheel is its use at Ensdorf power plant where the chain wheel has been functioning perfectly for more than 14 years and only very little wear has shown at the bolts to the present day, cf. “History of the chain wheel”, so that it can be taken

for granted that the wear reduction with the present patent EP 2594824, still further improved, will be even far more than 30%.

For this reason, I have removed the examination report from here completely and will no further quote it.

Finally, I should like to mention again that the self-adjusting chain wheel can be used for ALL chain forms.

Kempenich, 25th November 2015

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