Continental to Supply Hypersport Tires for the New BMW M 1000 XR

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One of the world's most powerful production crossover bikes rides on ContiRaceAttack 2 Street

- First partnership between Continental and BMW Motorrad in the field of the prestigious M models

- Innovative tire technologies bring the potential of the long-distance sports bike to the track

Hannover, Germany, December 11, 2023.The most powerful Continental hypersport tire for one of the lightest and most dynamic production crossover bikes in the world: The new BMW M 1000 XR with a maximum output of 201 hp (148 kW) will be running on the ContiRaceAttack 2 Street ex works in the future. The OEM approval marks the first partnership between the two brands for the BMW Motorrad M models in the hypersport tire segment and allows performance bikers around the world to benefit from the expertise of two leading premium manufacturers.

Tires with a wide range of applications from country roads to race tracks

The ContiRaceAttack 2 Street was developed for motorcyclists who want to combine track days and back road experiences. That's why it is equally impressive in the tight labyrinth of bends with precise handling, predictability at maximum lean angles and unshakeable riding stability up to a top speed of over 275 km/h (170 m/h). These features are ideal for the new BMW M 1000 XR, a high-end crossover bike for the highest demands. The third M model in the BMW Motorrad portfolio spans a wide range from dynamic country road surfing to occasional excursions on the racetrack. Robin Dreisewerd, Key Account Manager Motorcycle Tires for Original Equipment EMEA at Continental, comments:

> With the ContiRaceAttack 2 Street and the BMW M 1000 XR,

premium meets premium. In keeping up with the character of the motorcycle, the focus of the tire remains on sportiness. In addition, it offers everyday qualities – real added value even for extremely performance-oriented bikers.

Technology fireworks for maximum performance

Highlights of the ContiRaceAttack 2 Street are the BlackChili Compound and the innovative carcass construction. Pioneering Continental technologies bring the tremendous potential of the BMW M 1000 XR to the road.

- MultiGrip stands for the homogeneous gradation of grip levels with a single compound. This is made possible by curing the tire at different temperatures during the production process. The BMW M 1000 XR rider therefore experiences no disruptive transitions between different compounds when switching from the central tread area to the shoulder. The ContiRaceAttack 2 Street thus combines perfect grip with high mileage and maximum feedback.

- The innovative GripLimitFeedback technology of the carcass increases the level of safety at extreme lean angles because it delivers precise feedback on friction jumps and the interlocking of the tire with the road. BMW M 1000 XR riders thus benefit from a higher level of control and more confidence at the limit.

- The 0° steel belt construction ZeroDegree with the belt position on the carcass of the front and rear tires aligned in the direction of travel guarantees an outstanding stability at high speeds and low kickback tendency.

- Maximum lean angle performance is also ensured by the tread pattern with a low negative proportion and a maximum slick proportion on the tire shoulder.

More grip, efficiency and mileage thanks to Continental BlackChili Compound

The BlackChili Compound is an exclusive tread compound from Continental based on the latest findings in polymer and raw material research. The tire engineers combine raw rubber with a synthetic rubber to create a high-performance compound blended with nanometric carbon black particles. Surface and shape properties can

be adapted to the optimum tire usage.

The front tire of the new BMW M 1000 XR comes in 120/70, while the rear wheel is fitted with a 200/55 tire – both in combination with the standard 17-inch forged aluminum wheels and with the optional M carbon wheels. The ContiRaceAttack 2 Street is also available for the rear axle in three additional tire widths of 180/55, 190/50 and 190/55. As a street and race tool, it can be driven with regular air pressure on the country road and with reduced air pressure on the racetrack. The use of tire warmers is also possible, but not mandatory. For even faster racetrack laps, the ContiRaceAttack 2 Street can be combined with the ContiRaceAttack 2 soft/medium.

> Just as BMW Motorrad has put its collective performance know-how into the development of the M 1000 XR, we at Continental have applied our extensive expertise and passion for sporty motorcycling to the development of the ContiRaceAttack 2 Street. With their wide range of innovative technical solutions for maximum performance from country roads to racetracks, the hypersport tires and the crossover bike complement each other perfectly. This combination can inspire even the most demanding customers,

says Malte-Lauritz Bigge, head test rider for motorcycle tires at Continental.

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