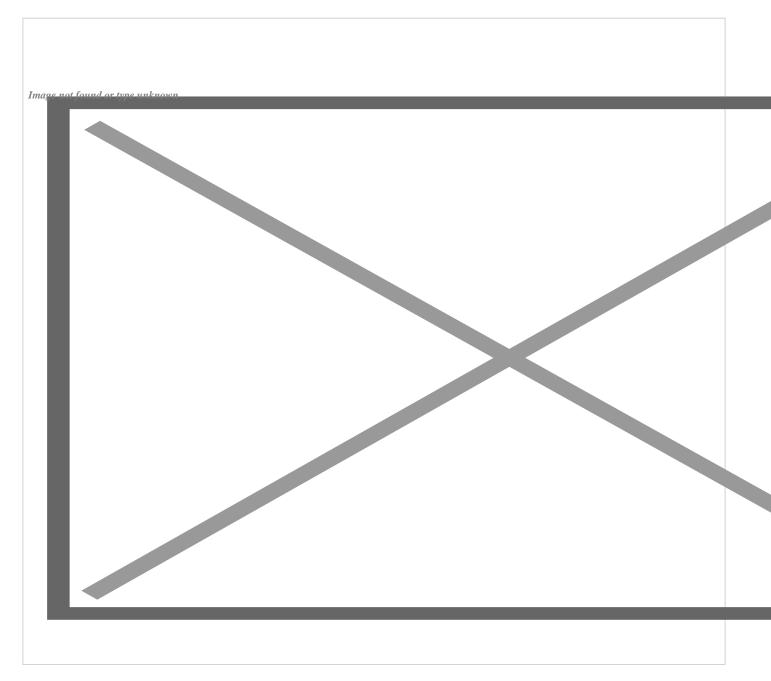
German leftist group claims responsibility for sabotage at massive Tesla plant



Berlin, March 6 (RHC)-- In Germany, a militant left-wing group has claimed responsibility for cutting off power and shutting down production at Tesla's largest electric car factory in Europe, which Tesla is hoping to expand. The factory could remain shut down for a week, after an electricity pylon caught on

fire.

The leftist Volcano Group took credit for the sabotage, saying: "The factory contaminates the groundwater and consumes huge quantities of the already scarce drinking water resource for its products. Tesla is a symbol for 'green capitalism."

Over 100 people recently set up an encampment inside a nearby forest to protest Tesla's plans to expand the factory. Elster, a protest spokesperson, told reporters: "We're here in Grünheide in Brandenburg and have occupied this forest because Tesla, which is building electronic cars here in the Gigafactory 4, also wants to buy and clear this adjourning area of forest. We have occupied this forest to stop this."

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