

Announcement

On February 4, 2009, Märklin of Germany filed in Göppingen, Germany for protection under German insolvency law. A trustee has been appointed to oversee an orderly reorganization and a search for a new owner. Märklin will continue its day-to-day business, continuing to produce and deliver product, and provide spare parts, repair, and warranty service.

Märklin, Inc. of North America is not affected by the declaration of insolvency and remains a viable business. Product for the three brands Märklin, Trix, and LGB will be delivered to Walthers via Märklin, Inc. Spare parts, repair, and warranty service will continue to be offered for the first two brands and will be offered for the first time in the near future for LGB.