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TW METALS OPENS NEW DISTRIBUTION FACILITY IN INDIA

Metals distributor, TW Metals has announced that it has opened a metals processing and distribution center and sales office in Bangalore, in the state of Karnataka in southern India.

Located at the center of the Indian aircraft industry, the new TW facility is fully operational as of the end of February 2007.

Claiming a first as a full line aerospace metals distributor in India and the first international distributor to set up on the sub-continent, TW Metals India will carry a full range of aluminum, stainless steel, nickel alloy, titanium and alloy steels in tubular, bar, sheet, plate and extrusion product forms. The new operation, based in an 18,500 square foot facility, will also provide cutting and kitting services and JIT deliveries to local manufacturers.

TW Metals is a global supplier of specialty metals with over 30 outlets worldwide. The expansion of its operation in India reflects the company's strategy of following the manufacturing bases of its customers, wherever they are located, in order to provide local materials' expertise and supply.

Says TW Metals MD Gail Thomas,” This latest investment follows the success of TW Metals Polska, set up in 2004 in Rzeszów in Poland’s Aviation Valley. TW Metals is providing total supply chain support, which includes working closely with OEMs to provide customer dedicated stocks combined with local supply and processing. Our customers in India can now expect a similar, high level of support.”

About TW Metals

A dynamic and customer-focused organization, TW Metals is a leading specialty metal distributor with over 30 facilities worldwide. The company offers a broad range of products and services, including extrusions, fittings, pipe, tube, rod/bar, sheet and plate in Stainless Steel, Aluminum, Nickel, Titanium, Alloy Steel, and Carbon Steel. TW Metals was formed in 1998 through the merger of Tubesales (founded in 1946) and Williams and Company (founded in 1907). TW Metals is a wholly-owned subsidiary of O’Neal Steel, the largest family owned full-line service center in the United States. O’Neal Steel is headquartered in Birmingham, AL. For further information, visit www.twmetals.com .