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BIR Autumn Round-Table Sessions

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Ferrous Division:
Dr Thomas Ludwig of Klöckner & Co
speaks at plenary meeting

During the plenary session of the BIR Ferrous Division on Tuesday, 27th October 2009 at 9.30 at the Okura Hotel in Amsterdam, attendees will have the privilege of listening to one of the key figures of the steel sector, the Chairman of the Klöckner & Co AG Management Board Dr Thomas Ludwig.

Dr Ludwig has been working for the Klöckner Group for 25 years, with 10 years as a member of the Management Board and 6 years as Chairman. After taking up the position of Chairman of the Management Board in 2003, Dr. Ludwig was instrumental in Klöckner's successful listing on the Frankfurt

Stock Exchange in 2006. The subsequent growth phase further reinforced Klöckner & Co's market position in Europe and North America.

The core business of the Klöckner & Co Group is the storage and distribution of steel and non-ferrous metals. About 185,000 active customers are supplied through around 250 distribution locations by around 9,500 employees in 15 countries in Europe and North America. During the financial year 2008, the Company achieved sales of approximately €6.7 billion.

Dr Ludwig's presentation has the title: "Does the crisis lie behind us? The view from steel distribution".

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