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Wise Metals Group Announces Corporate Promotions

Baltimore, Md. -- Officials at Wise Metals Group announced changes to its corporate structure through the promotion of three long-serving employees and the addition of a 28-year aluminum industry veteran as its new National Sales Manager for its Wise Alloys subsidiary.

Wise Metals Group promoted Dick Weaver, who has served the company for 23 years, and Gary Curtis, who began his career in 1994. Weaver was promoted to executive vice president of development and risk management and formerly held the title vice president of metal controls. Weaver will retain the responsibilities of his old position, including the oversight of hedging of metal and purchasing of prime metal and gas. In addition, he will be charged with developing enterprises related to the core business of manufacturing aluminum sheet, said Wise Metals Group Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Danny Mendelson.

Gary Curtis was promoted to president of Wise Recycling after serving as the vice president of operations for Wise Recycling. Over the past three years he has supervised Wise Recycling and successfully restructured the Wise Metals Group subsidiary into a profitable entity. Under Curtis' leadership, Wise Recycling acquired two new recycling sites, one in Albuquerque, N.M., and one in Denver, Colo. Curtis also opened a California warehouse to handle scrap and vendor-managed inventory, according to Wise Metals Group President and Chief Operating Officer Randall R. Powers.

New Wise Alloys Sales Force Structure to Support Market Expansion

Wise Alloys has also announced it has hired Harry Sneigle to serve as national sales manager. His focus will be to champion market expansion into common alloy coil products, said Wise Metals Group Senior Vice President of Sales, Don Farrington. Sneigle previously held the position of national sales manager at Ormet, and has also worked at Metal Exchange Corp., Ravenswood Aluminum Corp. and Kaiser Aluminum.

“Harry’s choice to join Wise Alloys sends a strong signal to prospective customers regarding his view of Wise Alloys equipment capabilities and his belief in the company’s commitment to these markets,” Farrington added.

Wise Alloys also promoted Pam Hannon to regional sales manager, reporting to Sneigle. In her new role, Hannon is responsible for selling common alloy coil products in the Southeastern U.S. Hannon previously held positions in manufacturing, accounting and sales during her over 20 year tenure with Wise Alloys and Reynolds Metals Company.

About Wise Metals Group

Based in Baltimore, Md., Wise Metals Group LLC includes Wise Alloys, the world's third leading producer of aluminum can stock for the beverage and food industries and an environmentally friendly company using recycled aluminum in the production of its can stock; Wise Recycling, one of the largest, direct-from-the-public collectors of aluminum beverage containers in the United States, operating shipping and processing locations throughout the United States that support a network of neighborhood collection centers; and Listerhill Total Maintenance Center, specializing in providing maintenance, repairs and fabrication to manufacturing and industrial plants worldwide ranging from small on-site repairs to complete turn-key maintenance.

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