



ALGOMA STEEL INC.

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Algoma Steel Inc. Announces Appointment of Vice President Commercial

SAULT STE. MARIE, ONTARIO – Algoma Steel Inc. today announced the appointment of Paul Royal to the position of Vice President Commercial. In this senior position, Mr. Royal will have accountability for establishing and managing the commercial strategy for all existing and new products and services.

Denis Turcotte, President and Chief Executive Officer at Algoma, welcomed Mr. Royal to the Company adding, “Paul’s experience with strategic corporate development and his focused approach to customer service will serve Algoma and our customers well. Going forward, this addition to our management team will help to position Algoma in the marketplace as a responsive, entrepreneurial organization.”

Mr. Royal has extensive experience in commercial operations, business development and legal affairs, most recently with Orion Bus Industries where he served as Executive Vice President. He holds a Masters of Business Administration from the Ivey School of Business and a Bachelor of Law from Dalhousie University. Mr. Royal will be located at Algoma Steel’s Burlington office.

Algoma Steel Inc. is an integrated steel producer based in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. Revenues are derived primarily from the manufacture and sale of rolled steel products, including hot and cold rolled sheet and plate.

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