



**ALGOMA STEEL INC.**  
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**NEWS RELEASE**

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**Algoma Receives Requisition To Call Special Shareholders' Meeting**

**SAULT STE. MARIE, ONTARIO** – Algoma Steel Inc. announced that today it has received a requisition from its shareholder, Paulson & Co. Inc., to call a special meeting of Algoma's shareholders:

- (i) to consider the removal of seven of the Board's eleven directors;
- (ii) directing the Board to consider the replacement of Algoma's U.S. \$125 million principal amount of 11% Notes due December 31, 2009 with \$200 million of new Notes; and
- (iii) directing the Board to consider the distribution of a minimum of \$400 million of cash to shareholders.

Algoma will conform with its legal obligations in calling the shareholders' meeting. Algoma's Board of Directors does not believe that the Paulson proposal represents a prudent course of action for the Company.

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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