"… when steel is cast …": strategic sale for settling the business succession

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On 29 March 2012 Belgian Vesuvius Group S.A. took over all shares of the Metallurgica Group (Metallurgica Beteiligungsgesellschaft mbH, Metallurgica Gesellschaft für Huettenwerkstechnik mbH & Co. KG and Metallurgica North America, LP). Vesuvius Group is a wholly-owned subsidiary of British Cookson Group plc.

Metallurgica, headquartered in Mülheim/Ruhr (Germany), is one of the world's leading suppliers of fluxes which are particularly used in the continuous casting technology for steel production. In 2011 Metallurgica had revenues of approx. 48m Euro.

Cookson Group plc. is a British material science company headquartered in London. The company is a conglomerate with three main divisions: Engineered Ceramics, Performance Materials and Precious Metals Processing. Vesuvius Group S.A. belongs to the division „Engineered Ceramics" in which Metallurgica will be integrated in.

From the owner family's view Vesuvius is the best suitable strategic buyer to ensure the further successful development of the company.

The sales process was organized and led by InterFinanz (Global M&A Germany) on behalf of the owning family of Metallurgica.

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