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OneSteel To Acquire Midalia Steel

OneSteel Limited advises that it has signed a conditional agreement to purchase the shares of Midalia Steel Pty Limited. Completion is expected to occur in February 2004, subject to conditions precedent being satisfied.

Midalia Steel operates 11 distribution sites in the state of Western Australia and has approximately 100 employees. For the full financial year ending 30 June 2004, Midalia Steel expects to generate sales of approximately \$45 million.

The Midalia Steel business will continue to trade under its own name and will be managed by the current Managing Director, Mr Geoff Midalia.

OneSteel Managing Director Bob Every said the acquisition complements OneSteel's portfolio of assets and is a continuation of OneSteel's strategy to make bolt-on acquisitions as attractive opportunities arise.

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