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Global Brass and Copper and the Wieland Group announced today that they have completed their previously announced merger. This combination provides exceptional value to customers as it is joining complementary manufacturing capabilities and diverse product offerings, enabling the combined company to serve more customers in more geographies with the highest quality and a premier range of copper and copper alloy products.

We are excited about this development and the value it will deliver to our customers. Combining our two highly complementary companies will establish a leading manufacturing platform supported by world-class service and a broad product portfolio. In addition, our commitment to operational excellence, technology, R&D and providing innovative products, services and solutions will enable the new Wieland Group to collaborate in unique ways with customers worldwide.

To deliver these benefits to our customers, we are forming the new organization by combining former GBC operating units (including Chase Brass) with existing elements of the Wieland operations in the USA. We intend to align them all under the strength of the global Wieland brand. Importantly, current Chase Brass leadership will remain in place. Devin Denner, President, will lead the newly formed Wieland Chase group as we move towards full conversion from operating as Chase Brass.

As a valued customer, providing you with high-quality products backed by differentiated service remains our top priority. As part of that effort, we intend to deliver a seamless transition as we move forward with the integration process. Business as usual will continue for now, with full integration taking place over the next several months. We are committed to keeping lines of communication open during this period to provide updates, answer questions you may have, and to discuss how your company can take advantage of our expanded capabilities going forward.

We greatly value the relationship we have with your organization and thank you for the ongoing opportunity to support your needs- both now and well into the future. Please do not hesitate to reach out to your normal business contact or us with any questions you may have regarding this transaction.

Sincerely,

Devin Denner
President, Wieland Chase

Dr. Erwin Mayr
CEO Wieland Group