

# NEWS FROM O'NEAL STEEL

TAD Acquisition  
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## **O'Neal Steel Expands Stainless and Aluminum Network Through TAD Metals Purchase**

BIRMINGHAM, AL—O'Neal Steel, Inc. has acquired the assets of TAD Metals, Inc. Northeastern, Southwestern, and Canadian regional operations, including six metals service centers and one sales office.

Since 1997, TAD Metals has specialized in processing and distribution of stainless steel and aluminum for use in a wide range of applications, such as consumer appliances, construction materials, industrial equipment, automotive and marine components, and architectural elements. In addition to flat-rolled material – and a unique capability for surface conditioning – the company has also developed a full line of long products (pipe, tube, and bar) and an integrated system for fast, efficient distribution.

The locations acquired by O'Neal are in Monroe Township, NJ; Norwell, MA; Dallas, Houston, Laredo, and San Marcos, TX; and Mississauga, Ontario. They will continue to operate under the name TAD Metals, as a wholly owned subsidiary of O'Neal. TAD's two Southeastern locations, which were not part of the transaction, will continue to be operated by the seller and will now be known as AP Specialty Metals.

Commenting on the newest addition to the O'Neal family of companies,

Chairman Craft O'Neal said, "TAD enhances our expertise and growing strength in non-ferrous product distribution and processing, while expanding our geographical reach and further diversifying our product offering."

O'Neal Steel is the nation's largest family-owned, full-line metals service center with annual sales of more than \$2.3 billion, headquarters in Birmingham, Alabama, and more than 75 locations in North America, Europe, and Asia. The O'Neal family of companies includes O'Neal Steel, Aerodyne Alloys, Leeco Steel, Metalwest, Supply Dynamics, Timberline Steel, TW Metals, and United Performance Metals.