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## **AMAG Austria Metall AG welcomes upcoming change in shareholding structure**

- **B&C Industrieholding announces upcoming acquisition of a stake in AMAG Austria Metall AG**
- **Management Board of AMAG Austria Metall AG welcomes the transaction**

In a media release dated March 16, 2012, B&C Industrieholding GmbH announced its upcoming acquisition of 29.9% of the stock of AMAG Austria Metall AG from CP Group 3 B.V.

The Management Board of AMAG Austria Metall AG welcomes the investment by B&C Industrieholding in the interest of the sustainable development of the enterprise. The strategy of B&C Industrieholding is geared towards securing the growth of large Austrian companies by taking on a core shareholder function on a long-term basis, thus keeping the respective group headquarters in Austria and increasing the competitiveness of the associated companies. With a view to AMAG's recently announced expansion plans and the sustainable development of the enterprise, the acquisition of AMAG stock by B&C Industrieholding therefore optimally matches AMAG's own strategies.

"The upcoming acquisition of AMAG stock by B&C Industrieholding ensures that also in future a stable core shareholder structure will provide a solid basis for our plans for development. We welcome this decision and embark with confidence on the task of jointly mastering the challenges awaiting us," says Gerhard Falch, CEO of AMAG Austria Metall AG.

In the period when One Equity Partners was acting as a shareholder of principal stockholder CP Group 3 B.V., major steps were taken to set the course for the positive development of AMAG. Of particular importance were the successful IPO of AMAG in April 2011, the decision to make a large-scale investment at the Ranshofen location that was jointly taken on the supervisory board based on the excellent development of the company and on strategic planning, and now, as the last step, the sale of the stock to B&C Industrieholding.

# Media Information

## About AMAG Group

AMAG is a leading Austrian provider of primary aluminium and high-quality aluminium cast and flat rolled products for various different industries such as the aircraft, automotive, sports equipment, lighting, mechanical engineering, construction and packaging industries. The Canadian smelter Alouette, in which AMAG holds a 20% interest, produces high-quality primary aluminium while safeguarding an exemplary eco-balance. With 1,422 employees (including 196 working in Canada), the company achieved sales of EUR 813 million and EBITDA of EUR 150 million in the fiscal year 2011.

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