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## Tri Star Metals Announces New Shareholders and Senior Promotions

Freeport, Illinois – Tri Star Metals is pleased to announce that George Antonopoulos, Nick Pigott, and Seth Fischer have become shareholders in the company. Additionally, Nick Pigott has been promoted to Executive Vice President, and Seth Fischer to Executive Vice President, Commercial. George Antonopoulos will continue in his role as Chief Financial Officer (CFO).

Nick and Seth will now join **Jay Mandel**, **Jim Roach**, **Bryan Hitchcock** and **George Antonopoulos** on the **Tri Star Metals Executive Committee**. Each of these leaders has been a valued member of the Tri Star Metals team for over 15 years and has played a critical role in the company's growth and success.

"I, along with our majority shareholder, **Bender Wire Group**, am thrilled to welcome George, Nick, and Seth as partners in this great company," said **Jay Mandel President/CEO of Tri Star Metals.** "As time goes on, they will step into leadership roles and become the next generation to carry forward our success story."

"As I gather more gray hair, having a **clear succession plan** is essential. This announcement reinforces our commitment to maintaining the same culture and values that have defined Tri Star Metals for the last 40 years. It also signals to our team, customers, and mill partners that TSM is built for long-term success," said **Jay Mandel** 

"We are proud of what Tri Star Metals has accomplished over the past 15 years as part of Bender Group," said **Ingo Bender/CEO of Bender Group.** "Our presence in the **North American market** remains a priority, and having **U.S.-based partners** leading the daily operations has been a key factor in our continued success."

## **About Tri Star Metals:**

Tri Star Metals is a premier supplier of specialty metals, delivering high-quality materials with unmatched reliability and customer-focused service. Serving industries across North America, we are committed to excellence, innovation, and supply chain efficiency."



## **About Bender Group**

The Bender Group, headquartered in Hagen, Germany, is a family-run, medium-sized group of companies with operations in both Germany and the USA. For over 200 years, we have been shaping the future of wire technology, driving innovation and progress across industries. Today, our expertise extends beyond wire production to include systems, cosmetics, and foodstuffs. Our commitment to quality, tradition, and passion fuels our continuous innovation and success.

## **About Siri Wire**

Siri Wire is a regional leader in stainless and nickel alloy re-draw mill and distribution services. With a reputation for high-quality manufacturing and customer-focused solutions, Siri Wire continues to be a trusted partner in the industry.

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