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Avins welcomes a further member in its global network

Industrial Tube Corporation, New Jersey/USA (www.industrialtubecorp.com/), a leading producer of thin wall, precision drawn tubing, has selected Avins International Ltd and the global network of Avins Sales Organization as a long term sales, marketing, and distribution partner. The advantages for both companies lie in the compatibility of the products from Industrial Tube with the Swissmetal Own Manufactured Products and the performance of complete synergies in the target customer industries.

Avins International is pleased to expand on the 50 years relationship in the US market and to have the opportunity to supply Industrial Tube Corporation product through the seven key markets of the world: Switzerland, Germany, France, USA, China, India, and Italy.

Swissmetal produces and sells worldwide high-quality special products made of copper and copper alloys which are mainly used in the electronics, telecommunications, air travel, petroleum, automobile, stationery and watch/clock industries and in the architectural sector. In financial year 2007, Swissmetal achieved turnover of CHF 407.0 million. As at end of October 2008, the company had 706 full time-employees. Swissmetal, with its registered office in Dornach (Switzerland) is quoted on the SWX Swiss Exchange as Swissmetal Holding AG.

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