

# Press Release

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## **Klöckner & Co SE: Gisbert Rühl to become Chairman of the Management Board of Klöckner & Co SE already on November 1, 2009**

**Duisburg, October 8, 2009** – The Supervisory Board of Klöckner & Co SE has approved the request by Dr. Thomas Ludwig to resign two months earlier than initially planned on October 31, 2009. At the same time Gisbert Rühl's appointment as Chairman of the Management Board has been brought forward to November 1, 2009.

### **About Klöckner & Co**

Klöckner & Co is the largest producer-independent distributor of steel and metal products in the European and North American markets combined. The core business of the Klöckner & Co Group is the storage and distribution of steel and non-ferrous metals. About 185,000 active customers are supplied through around 250 distribution locations by around 9,500 employees in 15 countries in Europe and North America. During the financial year 2008, the Company achieved sales of approximately €6.7 billion.

The shares of Klöckner & Co SE are admitted to trading on the regulated market segment (*Regulierter Markt*) of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (*Frankfurter Wertpapierbörse*) with simultaneous admission to the sub-segment to the regulated market with further post-admission obligations (Prime Standard). Klöckner & Co shares are listed in the MDax® Index of Deutsche Börse.

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