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# A.M. CASTLE & CO. ANNOUNCES EXPIRATION OF SENIOR SECURED NOTE EXCHANGE OFFER

OAK BROOK, IL, FEBRUARY 19TH - A.M. Castle & Co. (NYSE:CAS) (the "Company" or "Castle"), a global distributor of specialty metal and plastic products, value-added services and supply chain solutions, announced today the expiration at 5:00 p.m. New York City time on February 18, 2016 (the "Expiration Date") of the previously announced private exchange offer and consent solicitation to certain eligible holders (the "Exchange Offer") relating to the exchange of new 12.75% Senior Secured Notes due 2018 (the "New Notes") for the Company's outstanding 12.75% Senior Secured Notes due 2016 (the "Existing Notes").

According to D.F. King & Co., Inc., the exchange agent for the Exchange Offer, at the Expiration Date, \$203,319,000 aggregate principal amount (or 96.8%) of the total \$210,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Existing Notes were validly tendered and not withdrawn, leaving \$6,681,000 aggregate principal amount of the Existing Notes with a maturity of December 15, 2016. As previously announced, as of 5:00 p.m., New York City Time, on February 2, 2016 (the "Early Tender Date"), \$148,422,000 aggregate principal amount of Existing Notes had been validly tendered and not withdrawn. Settlement for Existing Notes tendered prior to the Early Tender Date occurred on February 12, 2016. Following the Early Tender Date, an additional \$54,897,000 aggregate principal amount had been validly tendered and not withdrawn prior to the Expiration Date. The Company has accepted all validly tendered and not withdrawn additional Existing Notes for exchange and expects to pay the exchange consideration with respect to such notes on February 24, 2016.

The Company also announced that the aggregate principal amount Existing Notes tendered and accepted for exchange in the Exchange Offer upon its expiration is \$3,083,000 less than was previously announced due to the failure to tender by a holder not affiliated with the Company

that contractually agreed to tender such notes pursuant to the terms of an agreement with the Company supporting the Exchange Offer.

The complete terms and conditions of the Exchange Offer were set forth in a confidential offering memorandum and consent solicitation statement dated January 15, 2016, and related consent and letter of transmittal.

The Exchange Offer was made, and the New Notes will be issued, only to holders of Existing Notes that are (i) "qualified institutional buyers" as that term is defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act, or QIBs, in a private transaction in reliance upon an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, (ii) institutional investors which are "accredited investors" as defined in Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3), (7) or (8) under the Securities Act or (iii) not a "U.S. Person" as that term is defined in Rule 902 under the Securities Act, in offshore transactions in reliance upon Regulation S under the Securities Act.

This press release is not an offer to sell, nor a solicitation of an offer to buy, the New Notes in the United States or elsewhere. The New Notes have not been registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an applicable exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act. The Exchange Offer is made only by, and pursuant to, the terms set forth in the related offering memorandum and consent solicitation. The Exchange Offer is not being made to persons in any jurisdiction in which the making or acceptance thereof would not be in compliance with the securities, blue sky or other laws of such jurisdiction.

### About A. M. Castle & Co.

Founded in 1890, A. M. Castle & Co. is a global distributor of specialty metal and plastic products and supply chain services, principally serving the producer durable equipment, oil and gas, commercial aircraft, heavy equipment, industrial goods, construction equipment, retail, marine and automotive sectors of the global economy. Its customer base includes many Fortune 500 companies as well as thousands of medium and smaller-sized firms spread across a variety of industries. Within its metals business, it specializes in the distribution of alloy and stainless steels; nickel alloys; aluminum and carbon. Through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Total Plastics, Inc., the Company also distributes a broad range of value-added industrial plastics. Together, Castle and its affiliated companies operate out of 42 service centers located throughout North America, Europe and Asia. Its common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "CAS".

### **Cautionary Statements Regarding Forward-Looking Information**

Information provided and statements contained in this release that are not purely historical are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act, Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Exchange Act"), and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements only speak as of the date of this release and the Company assumes no obligation to update the information included in this release. Such forward-looking statements include information concerning our possible or assumed future results of operations, including descriptions of our business strategy, and the cost

savings and other benefits that we expect to achieve from our facility closures and organizational changes. These statements often include words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "predict," "plan," "should," or similar expressions. These statements are not guarantees of performance or results, and they involve risks, uncertainties, and assumptions. Although we believe that these forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, there are many factors that could affect our actual financial results or results of operations and could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements, including our ability to effectively manage our operational initiatives and restructuring activities, the impact of volatility of metals and plastics prices, the cyclical and seasonal aspects of our business, our ability to effectively manage inventory levels, our ability to successfully complete our strategic refinancing process, and the impact of our substantial level of indebtedness, as well as including those risk factors identified in Item 1A "Risk Factors" of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014. All future written and oral forward-looking statements by us or persons acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements contained or referred to above. Except as required by the federal securities laws, we do not have any obligations or intention to release publicly any revisions to any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances in the future, to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events or for any other reason.