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To: Our Valued Customers

Subject: Essential Business and Business Operations during COVID-19 Outbreak

ELLWOOD City Forge Group, and all our associated ELLWOOD Group companies (collectively “ELLWOOD”) continue to closely monitor the evolving conditions as part of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. First and foremost, our highest priority is the health and safety of our employees, customers, suppliers, their families and the communities in which we operate.

To protect our employees and our ongoing operations, we are working in full compliance with recommendations from the US Government’s Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) as well as all other governmental requirements.

As you know, closures of non-essential/non-life-sustaining businesses and shelter-in-place orders are proliferating state-by-state to slow the spread of the coronavirus. However, ELLWOOD City Forge Group facilities and the other ELLWOOD Group divisions in our supply chain must remain open given our extensive Federal Defense contracts (including contracts with the United States Air Force, the United States Navy, and other divisions of our Armed Forces). We have been informed in writing by the Pentagon identifying ELLWOOD as a member of the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, thus requiring Ellwood to continue operations.

This is good news for you our valued customers that we remain open for business at full capacity.

ELLWOOD is fully integrated with our steel ingots supplied by our sister companies in Pennsylvania and since the balance of our supply chain is U.S.-based, foreign country restrictions will not affect our ability to manufacture and meet our commitments to our customers.

It is crucial at a time such as this that we all work together – we will get through this.

Sincerely,

Steve Ross
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