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Dear Ladies and Gentlemen!

Enclosed please find today's press release of VA TECH.

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VOEST-ALPINE INDUSTRIEANLAGENBAU**P R E S S R E L E A S E****Tension Leveling Line with Electrolytic Cleaning Section for INDIAN ALUMINIUM / India**

Trusting in VAI-MECESA® Strip-Finishing Technology INDIAN ALUMINIUM COMPANY LIMITED (INDAL), India and VAI Cosim S.A., the Spanish-based subsidiary of VOEST-ALPINE INDUSTRIEANLAGENBAU (VAI)/Austria signed a contract for the supply of a tension leveling line with a specially designed, environmentally friendly electrolytic cleaning section for the Talaja Plant-Mumbai/India on a turnkey basis.

The line will process high quality aluminium sheet products such as lithographic strips and closure stock of varying thickness.

The new production facility at INDAL – Talaja Plant will open additional market segments of the market for aluminium strip and will thus achieve a significant improvement in the market position for INDAL - proving again the capability of VAI to provide sustainable solutions for its customers.

The decision to award to the contract to VAI Cosim S.A. was made as a result of the technologically proven capability of the VAI tension leveling machines, as well as the many references from around the world for aluminium tension leveling lines.

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