

Bonnell Aluminum Purchases Large Extrusion Press

Improved capabilities will provide Architects and Engineers greater design opportunities for aluminum extrusions

NEWNAN, Ga., July 8 /PRNewswire/ -- Committed to serving the growing demand of its key customers and its primary strategic market, Bonnell Aluminum, North America's premier aluminum extrusion supplier to nonresidential building and construction markets, has announced the launch of its large extrusion press expansion project. A new 5,500 ton hydraulic press, handling systems and ancillary equipment will arrive at Bonnell's manufacturing facility in Carthage, Tennessee over several months and be installed in a new building covering 70,000 square feet. Planned startup is the fourth quarter of 2009.

This business expansion will provide architects, designers, and engineers, many new opportunities in building and construction applications, those seeking larger extruded profiles and more design freedom. This press and its handling systems will be specifically engineered to extrude products requiring a critical surface for high profile exposed architectural applications. "Currently, this capability is not offered by any other North American manufacturer in this large size range and will enhance Bonnell Aluminum's recognition as the premier supplier of products to curtain wall, walkway cover, storefront, and automatic entry door manufacturers," commented Ira Endres, director of sales and marketing. "Bonnell is known for outstanding customer service. This will raise that tradition of excellence even higher." Endres continued: "We have seen tremendous growth in the commercial construction market over the past several years. The introduction of this new press will take us to the next level in the industry. It is a very exciting time for the company and our customers."

Duncan Crowdis, president, concluded, "Soon, we will have the ability to offer the building and construction market the largest range of capabilities in the industry, all this under one roof. This will further strengthen our position as a market leader and provide our customers new arrays of services, setting us apart from the competition."

About Bonnell Aluminum

Bonnell is a subsidiary of Richmond Va., based Tredegar Corporation (NYSE: TG) and is North-America's premier aluminum extrusion supplier to architectural nonresidential construction markets. The company produces soft-alloy aluminum extrusions primarily for building and construction, distribution, transportation, machinery and equipment, electrical and consumer durables markets.

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