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SCRAP METAL SERVICES AWARDED MILL SERVICES SCRAPYARD MANAGEMENT CONTRACT AT APERAM STAINLESS BELGIUM'S GENK FACILITY

CHICAGO, IL – April 19, 2018. *Scrap Metal Services, LLC* (SMS), headquartered in Burnham, Illinois, and its mill services division, *SMS Mill Services, LLC*, are pleased to announce that its new affiliate, *Scrap Metal Services Belgium, BVBA*, has been awarded management of the on-site scrap management and processing operation at the Aperam Stainless Steel facility in Genk, Belgium.

Aperam is a global player in stainless, electrical and specialty steel, with customers in over 40 countries. Aperam has 2.5 million tons of flat Stainless and Electrical steel capacity in Brazil and Europe and is a leader in high value specialty products. Aperam has a highly integrated distribution, processing and services network and a unique capability to produce stainless and specialty from low cost biomass (charcoal). Its industrial network is concentrated in six production facilities located in Brazil, Belgium and France. In 2017, Aperam had sales of USD 5.1 billion and steel shipments of 1.94 million tons.

Both Aperam and Scrap Metal Services are excited about this opportunity to partner together, with the common goal of providing unsurpassed quality and service in all aspects of the business, including an unrivaled commitment to the health, safety and well-being of employees, sustainability and environmental management.

This contract award heralds the entry of Scrap Metal Services into Europe as part of its ongoing growth, expansion, and global outreach, including a diversified presence into international markets.

Scrap Metal Services, LLC (SMS), headquartered in Burnham (Chicago), IL, operates scrap processing, steel mill services, ship dismantling and recycling, intermodal/truck/railcar dismantling facilities throughout the United States. SMS provides full-service scrap management, consulting and purchasing services to industrial scrap generators and demolition contractors, on a local and international basis. SMS is also a supplier of ferrous and nonferrous scrap commodities to both domestic and international consumers and offers brokerage and trading services to other scrap companies. Together with its affiliates, SMS has multiple operations in the United States and Mexico.

SMS Mill Services, LLC, is a top tier provider of mill support, processing and management services for metals producers.