

Anvil(R) International Acquires North Alabama Pipe

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PORTSMOUTH, N.H., Oct. 10, 2012 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Anvil International, one of the largest and most complete manufacturers of pipe fittings, pipe hangers and piping support systems in the world, announced that it has acquired substantially all of the assets of North Alabama Pipe Corporation (NAP), a leading provider of pipe fabrication equipment and fire protection fabrication equipment. This acquisition enhances Anvil International's product lines to offer state-of-the-art fabrication equipment.

"The acquisition of NAP strengthens Anvil's product offerings," said Tom Fish, president of Anvil International. "We look forward to providing our customers with a single-source solution for pipe joining products and pipe fabrication equipment."

Founded in 1983, NAP is a manufacturer of fire sprinkler fabrication equipment, including automatic welders, plasma cut-off equipment, hole cutting equipment, make-on machines and pipe threaders. NAP also manufactures outlets for the fire sprinkler market.

"Customers will continue to receive the highest level of quality products and customer service they have come to expect from Anvil and North Alabama Pipe. This acquisition will allow NAP, which will continue to operate under that name, to offer its fabrication equipment to markets other than fire protection." said Dean Taylor, vice president of Sales and Marketing for Anvil International.

Headquartered in Guntersville, Alabama, with 23 employees, NAP first made a name for itself when it developed the innovative "Hole System" that allows a plasma cutter to make holes in pipe — a process that has become the industry standard.

Anvil International is a division of Mueller Water Products, Inc. (NYSE:MWA), a leading North American manufacturer and marketer of products and services that are used in the transmission, distribution and measurement of water.

For customer inquiries about Anvil International's product offerings, please visit anvilintl.com or call 800-301-2701.

For customer inquiries about North Alabama Pipe Corporation, please visit nalapipe.com or call 603-422-8028.

About Anvil® International

Anvil International is one of the largest and most complete manufacturers of pipe fittings, pipe hangers and piping support systems in the world. For more than 150 years, Anvil has provided the highest-quality pipe products and services with integrity and dedication to superior customer service. The company offers expertise and product solutions for a wide range of applications, from plumbing and mechanical, HVAC, industrial and fire protection, to mining and oil and gas. Anvil offers products and services worldwide. Its manufacturing facilities are located in Pennsylvania (ISO 9001:2008 certified), Tennessee (ISO 9001:2008 certified), Texas (ISO 9001:2008 certified) and Rhode Island (ISO 9001:2008 certified). Anvil is a division of Mueller Water Products Inc. (NYSE:MWA). For more information, please contact Anvil's corporate offices at 603-422-8000, 110 Corporate Drive, Suite 10, Portsmouth, NH 03801, or visit anvilintl.com

About North Alabama Pipe Corporation

North Alabama Pipe Corporation (NAP) is the innovator of pipe fabrication equipment, manufacturing automatic welders, plasma cut-off equipment, hole cut equipment, make-on machines and pipe threaders. Since 1983, NAP has been committed to serving customers with quality products, in-depth training on all machines and exceptional customer service. As the oldest manufacturer in the fire sprinkler fabrication industry, NAP is constantly striving to make the work of fire protection fabricator easier, faster and more economical. For more information, please contact NAP at 256-582-8800, 5010 Sword St., Guntersville, AL 35976, or visit nalapipe.com

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