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E-Mail: pr@kloeckner.comInternet: www.kloeckner.com**KLÖCKNER & CO SE: SUPERVISORY BOARD APPOINTS MARCUS A. KETTER (44) CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER – ULRICH BECKER TO LEAVE THE MANAGEMENT BOARD**

Duisburg, September 19, 2012 – The Supervisory Board of Klöckner & Co SE has appointed Mr. Marcus A. Ketter as the Company's Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Ketter, who has a degree in economics, will take up his duties on February 1, 2013.

After holding several international management positions, Mr. Ketter currently serves as CFO of Schuler AG, a German SDAX®-listed mechanical engineering company. Mr. Ketter will take over the Finance & Accounting, Corporate Controlling and Corporate Taxes departments from Chief Executive Officer Gisbert Rühl, who has also been acting CFO, as well as the Corporate IT department.

Mr. Ulrich Becker, a member of the Management Board and Chief Operating Officer of Klöckner & Co SE, will leave by mutual agreement at the end of September. The Supervisory Board thanks Mr. Becker for his work over the last several years. His duties will be carried out for the time being by CEO Gisbert Rühl.



About Klöckner & Co Klöckner & Co is the largest producer-independent distributor of steel and metal products and one of the leading steel service center companies in the European and American markets combined. The core business of Klöckner & Co is the warehousing and distribution of steel and non-ferrous metals as well as the operation of steel service centers. Based on the Group's distribution and service network, more than 170,000 customers are supplied through around 290 locations in more than 20 countries. Currently Klöckner & Co employs around 11,200 employees. The Group had sales of around €7.1 billion in fiscal 2011.

The shares of Klöckner & Co SE are admitted to trading on the regulated market segment (Regulierter Markt) of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (Frankfurter Wertpapierbörse) with further post-admission obligations (Prime Standard). Klöckner & Co shares are listed in the MDAX®-Index of Deutsche Börse.

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