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Announcement

Messrs Jeff Rossouw (General Manager - Africa) of **Heat and Control SA (Pty) Ltd** and Jordi Serrat i Vilà (General Sales Manager) of **Metalquimia S.A.** are proud to announce a new alliance between the companies as of 1 August 2007. Metalquimia has provided Heat and Control SA exclusive representation rights of its entire range of machinery and technology, destined to the meat industry, specially for marinated and whole muscle cooked meat products, in Sub Saharan Africa. Heat and Control's goal of turnkey processing plant engineering is complimented through this new partnership as it provides Heat and Control with a high quality product line that is synergistic with its own food processing and product handling solutions.

Located in Girona, Spain, and founded in 1971, Metalquimia is a global leader in the technology and manufacture of complete turn-key lines for the production of cooked and marinated meat products. Metalquimia specializes in offering "custom-made" technological solutions for manufacturing cooked meat products, based on a philosophy of constant innovation, service excellence and total quality. As a supliré Metalquimia is the only supplier that is a specialist in each and every phase of the process, offering its customers worldwide an integral solution and a total guarantee for the manufacture of their meat products with production lines that are versatile and highly automated, hygienic, safe, respectful of the environment and designed to reduce production costs, thereby improving competitiveness in the meat industry.

Founded in Hayward, San Francisco, over 50 years ago, Heat and control today holds 142 U.S. patents, have the best staff of engineers, technicians and consultants in the industry, Heat and Control's mixture of know-how, innovation and quality guarantees best-of-breed custom solutions to any aspect of food production. We design, engineer and build the machinery that creates and packages prepared meats, poultry, seafood, baked and fried snacks and other quality foods. Our equipment operates around the clock, around the world, giving our customers the advantages they need to succeed in today's competitive markets. Heat and Control's South African subsidiary is responsible for the territory that includes Africa and surrounding islands. Heat and Control has extensive experience on the continent and have lines running in Egypt, Kenya, Madagascar, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Botswana & South Africa and are currently negotiating projects in Nigeria, Ghana & Cameroon. In addition to the African territory, we have designed, manufactured and exported numerous processing lines for our subsidiaries located in Europe, Middle East and Asia. Our Engineering staff has extensive experience on the African continent and in the international arena.

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