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Order from Russia for SMS Demag AG

OMZ orders an ARCESS® electric arc furnace with dust collecting facility

OMZ (Uralmash-Izhora Group), Russia, has awarded an order to SMS Demag, a company of the SMS group, Germany, for the supply of a 120-t electric arc furnace with an annual capacity of 600,000 t for the Kolpino, St. Petersburg, location.

The SMS Demag supply scope comprises a 120-t ARCESS® electric arc furnace with a dust collecting facility and additives supply system.

The EAF caters for a wide range of products, from structural steels to high-grade steels as well as high-quality rotor and reactor steel grades for nuclear power plants and for the chemical industry.

The arc furnace is being erected in the existing bays at the OMZ Special Steels works. OMZ Special Steels, a 100 % subsidiary of the OMZ Group, was established in 2002 on the premises of the Izhorskiye Zavody metallurgical works.

Commissioning is scheduled for the end of 2008.

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SMS group is, under the roof of the holding SMS GmbH, a group of companies internationally active in plant construction and mechanical engineering for the steel and nonferrous metals industry. It essentially consists of the two Business Areas SMS Demag and SMS Meer, which jointly form SMS metallurgy. In 2006, some 9,000 employees worldwide generated a turnover of about EUR 2.8 bn.