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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### Growth market aluminum sheet

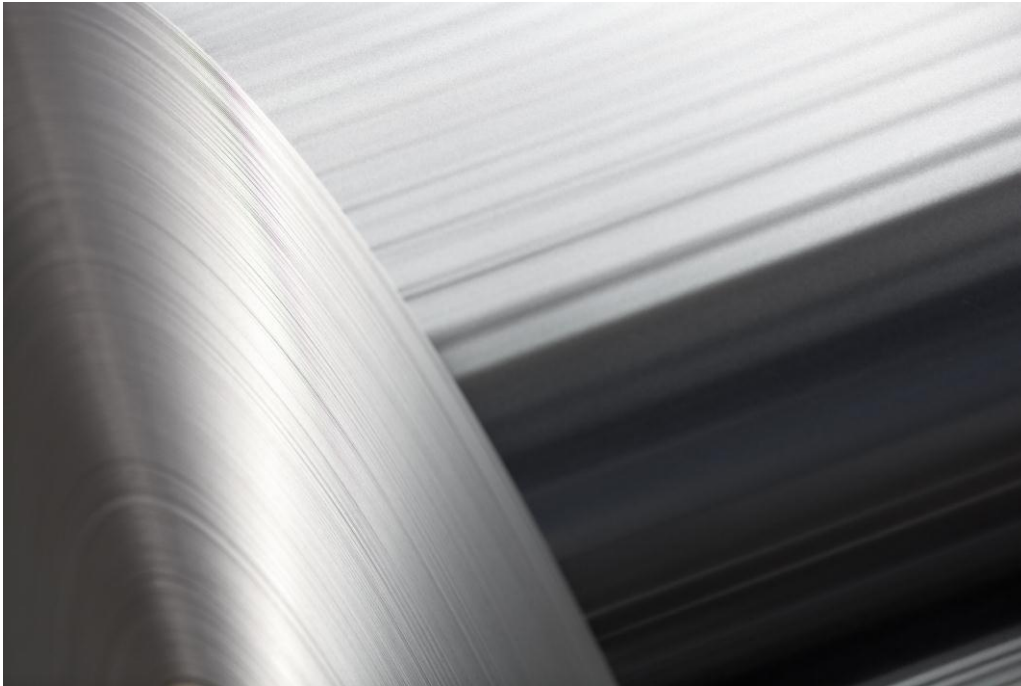
### **Alcoa orders aluminum cold rolling mill for premium quality grades from SMS Siemag**

Alcoa Inc., Pittsburgh, USA, has placed an order with SMS Siemag, Germany, ([www.sms-siemag.com](http://www.sms-siemag.com)) for the supply of an ultra-modern X-Roll® cold rolling mill for their Alcoa Tennessee plant outside Knoxville. The new rolling mill is to satisfy the strongly increasing demand for lightweight, durable aluminum in the automotive market.

Alcoa has assigned SMS Siemag as key equipment supplier for the Tennessee expansion. In addition to the mechanical equipment complete with media systems, the new cold mill will be equipped with the SMS Siemag X-Pact® electrical and automation systems, including the associated actuating and control systems. This will make it possible to meet the automotive industry's exacting requirements on surface quality.

SMS Siemag will supply comprehensive environmental technology engineering for the purification of air and fluids. The supply scope also includes a Multi-Plate® filter for rolling oil cleaning and an Airwash™ system for exhaust air purification.

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Cold rolled aluminum coil.