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THE AIST FOUNDATION RECEIVES CONSIDERABLE DONATIONS FROM CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES, COMMERCIAL METALS COMPANY, HATCH ASSOCIATES CONSULTANTS INC. AND STEEL DYNAMICS INC.

PITTSBURGH, 5 December 2016 — The AIST Foundation is pleased to announce four significant donations that will fund initiatives to promote the steel industry as a viable and rewarding career choice for young engineers. The industry benefactors include: Cliffs Natural Resources (US\$60,000), Commercial Metals Company (US\$50,000), Hatch Associates Consultants Inc. (US\$50,000) and Steel Dynamics Inc. (US\$100,000).

Ted Lyon, Managing Director, Hatch Associates Consultants Inc., said, "The work of the AIST Foundation is a core component of Hatch's workforce and employee development program for young professionals joining the industry. We enthusiastically support the AIST Foundation programs, as they provide a sustainable pipeline of top notch talent."

Glenn Pushis, Senior Vice President, Long Products Steel Group, Steel Dynamics Inc., said, "Steel Dynamics is proud to support AIST and the AIST Foundation. We appreciate their combined efforts in the missions to advance the technical development, production, processing and application of iron and steel."

The AIST Foundation is a Pennsylvania-based 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation organized for charitable, education and scientific purposes. The Foundation seeks to attract technology-oriented professionals to the steel industry by educating the public about the high-tech, diverse and rewarding nature of careers in modern steelmaking. Each year, the AIST Foundation awards in excess of US\$700,000 for scholarships and grants in the fulfillment of its mission to ensure the iron and steel industry of tomorrow will have a significant number of qualified professionals.

The Foundation works closely with the Association for Iron & Steel Technology, an international technical association of more than 18,000 professional and student members from more than 70 countries. The organization is recognized as a global leader in networking, education, and sustainability programs for advancing iron and steel technology. Its mission is to advance the technical development, production, processing and application of iron and steel.

For more information about the AIST Foundation, visit AISTFoundation.org.

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