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### **AIST ANNOUNCES THE 2016 PROJECT EXCELLENCE AWARD WINNER**

PITTSBURGH, 17 February 2016 — [The Association for Iron & Steel Technology \(AIST\)](#) proudly announced **ArcelorMittal Indiana Harbor** as the 2016 Project Excellence Award Winner on 9 February 2016 at the AIST Midwest Member Chapter Dinner Meeting. This award recognizes the critical importance of applying best practices and processes to the science of project management, and at the same time recognizes projects that drive positive results.

The AIST Project Excellence Award was established by the AIST Project & Construction Management Technology Committee to celebrate the efficient and effective use of capital funds throughout the steel industry, among all types and sizes of steel producers. Applicants were judged on the basis of overall project excellence in accordance with business success, safety program and performance, technical success, and project management success.

ArcelorMittal Indiana Harbor's winning project was titled, "No. 7 Blast Furnace Campaign Extension Project."

Clay Piper, senior project engineer/mechanical engineer, DMM Technical Services LLC, and Project Excellence Award chair said, "ArcelorMittal's current style of project management has a defined progression that allows for project security and success. Their project teams are driven by multi-disciplined leaders from various facilities and departments that incorporate a mentality where failure is not an option. The Project Excellence Award measures various projects on a set criteria, including Safety, Business Success, Technical Success and Project Management Success, that of which the ArcelorMittal project teams have illustrated time and time again."

ArcelorMittal Indiana Harbor and their suppliers will be invited to prepare a paper based on their achievement for presentation at an AIST conference and/or for publication in AIST's monthly technical journal, *Iron & Steel Technology*.

AIST recognizes the significant contributions of individuals and companies to the global steel industry. The Awards and Recognition Program serves to recognize those who have improved and advanced the steelmaking process, as well as challenging their colleagues to continue, and even exceed, the technological and developmental gains spotlighted by these achievements.

The Project Excellence Award is given annually, and producer companies are encouraged to submit an [entry form](#) by 15 June. More information on the awards will be published in an upcoming issue of *Iron & Steel Technology* and will be available on [AIST.org](#).

[AIST](#) is a non-profit technical association of 18,000 members from more than 70 countries, with the mission to advance the technical development, production, processing and application of iron and steel. The organization is recognized as a global leader in networking, education, and sustainability programs for advancing iron and steel technology.

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