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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **RONALD J. O'MALLEY, MISSOURI UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY APPOINTED AIST PRESIDENT FOR 2019–2020**

PITTSBURGH, 8 May 2019 — Ronald J. O'Malley, F. Kenneth Iverson Chair, Professor in Steelmaking Technologies and director of the Kent D. Peaslee Steel Manufacturing Research Center, Missouri University of Science and Technology, Rolla, Mo., USA, has been appointed president of the Association for Iron & Steel Technology (AIST) for 2019–2020. O'Malley succeeds James F. Dudek, vice president, asset revitalization and manufacturing excellence, United States Steel Corporation, Gary, Ind., USA.

O'Malley said that taking on the presidency will give him an opportunity to return something to the organization.

"AIST has given me so much, and I've reached a stage in my career where I feel like I can give back. I have always been active in AIST, but going forward, my rotation on the AIST executive committee gives me an opportunity to serve the larger AIST membership."

He also said the position will give him a place from which to rally support for continued research and education in the steel industry. "AIST has provided some opportunities to help us support and maintain educators in our field. I'd like to see that bolstered and expanded," he said.

AIST announced its 2019–2020 executive committee and board of directors during AISTech 2019, the organization's annual conference and exposition, which was held 6–9 May 2019 in Pittsburgh, Pa., USA.

Also appointed as officers were:

- First Vice President: **Steven J. Henderson**, vice president and chief supply chain officer, Commercial Metals Company, Irving, Texas, USA
- Second Vice President: **Keith J. Howell**, chief operating officer, USA Operations, ArcelorMittal USA, Burns Harbor, Ind., USA
- Past President: **James F. Dudek**, vice president, asset revitalization and manufacturing excellence, United States Steel Corporation, Gary, Ind., USA
- First Officer-at-Large: **Barry T. Schneider**, senior vice president, Flat Roll Steel Group, Steel Dynamics Inc., Fort Wayne, Ind., USA
- Second Officer-at-Large: **Brian K. Bishop**, vice president, carbon steel operations, AK Steel, West Chester, Ohio, USA
- Third Officer-at-Large: **Thomas C. Toner**, vice president, operations, SSAB Americas, Mobile, Ala., USA
- Fourth Officer-at-Large: **Allen C. Behr**, vice president and general manager, Nucor Steel, Jewett, Texas, USA
- Treasurer: **Joseph Dzierzawski**, global director, technology and business development iron and steel, Hatch Associates Consultants Inc., Pittsburgh, Pa., USA
- Secretary: **Ronald E. Ashburn**, executive director, Association for Iron & Steel Technology, Warrendale, Pa., USA

AIST board members are **Steven C. Asseff**, commodity manager — machining and fabrication, United States Steel Corporation, Pittsburgh, Pa., USA; **Richard Besich**, division manager, steelmaking operating technology, ArcelorMittal Indiana Harbor, Saint John, Ind., USA; **Mauro Bianchi Ferri**, managing director, Acciarium Srl, Milano, Italy; **Lothar Birkhäuser**, industrial director and chief operating officer, Vallourec, Belo Horizonte, BR; **Kevin J. Bort**, metals industrial segment leader, TMEIC Corp., Salem, Va., USA; **Elaine Chen**, research engineer, ArcelorMittal Global R&D, East Chicago, Ind., USA; **Shannon F. Clark**, senior specialist — metallurgy and quality, ArcelorMittal Dofasco Inc., Hamilton, Ont., Canada; **Conrad N. D'Costa**, specialist environmental engineer, ArcelorMittal Dofasco G.P., Hamilton, Ont., Canada; **Barry C. Felton**, senior project manager, engineering, ArcelorMittal Burns Harbor, Burns Harbor, Ind., USA; **Stephan A. Ferenczy**, president, TCI Consultants, Carleton Place, Ont., Canada; **Noah Hanners**, general manager, Nucor Tubular Products, Naperville, Ill. USA; **D. Heath Hooker**, mechanical maintenance supervisor, Nucor-Yamato, Jonesboro, Ark., USA; **Love Kalra**, lead engineer, ArcelorMittal Indiana Harbor, East Chicago, Ind., USA; **Theodore F. Lyon** (Foundation President), managing director, Hatch Associates Consultants Inc., Pittsburgh, Pa., USA; **William C. Seres**, hot mill manager, Steel Dynamics Inc. – Flat Roll Group Columbus Division, Columbus, Miss., USA; **Mark E. Shircliff**, regional sales manager, American Roller Bearing Company, Louisville, Ky., USA; **Scott R. Story**, senior research consultant, U. S. Steel Research and Technology Center, Munhall, Pa., USA; **John T. Wilson**, district account manager, MINTEQ International Inc., Canton, Ohio, USA; and **Liwei Zhang**, U.S. lead engineer, global research and development, ArcelorMittal Global R&D, East Chicago, Ind., USA.

AISTech 2019 was one of the largest gatherings of industry personnel in the world this year. The four-day conference encompassed more than 550 technical presentations and nearly 550 domestic and international exhibiting companies.

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