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Increasing efficiency and productivity with a new secondary metallurgy system

**ArcelorMittal Temirtau orders new ladle furnace from SMS group**

ArcelorMittal Temirtau, Kazakhstan, recently awarded SMS group ([www.sms-group.com](http://www.sms-group.com)) a purchase order for the supply of a new 290-ton ladle furnace for its plant in Temirtau, Kazakhstan. The SMS group scope of supply will comprise the engineering, mechanical and electrical equipment and supervision of erection and commissioning of the new ladle furnace, gas cleaning plant, additives handling system and water treatment plant.

The ladle furnace allows precise control of the chemical composition and temperature of the liquid steel and slag, thus satisfying an important basic requirement for the further process steps aimed at producing high-quality steel grades and also functions as a buffer for the molten metal upstream of the remaining processing stations.

Commissioning is scheduled for the second quarter of 2018.

ArcelorMittal Temirtau is one of the largest producers in Kazakhstan's steel and mining sector. The integrated steel plant located in Temirtau has an annual capacity of four million tons of crude steel and produces hot and cold rolled steel, tin plates, galvanized steel

and polymer-coated coils, welded pipes, coke, and chemical by-products.

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SMS group is a group of companies internationally active in plant construction and mechanical engineering for the steel and nonferrous metals industry. It has some 13,500 employees who generate worldwide sales of more than EUR 3 billion. The sole owner of the holding company SMS GmbH is the Familie Weiss Foundation.