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#### Press release

## goetzpartners CORPORATE FINANCE advised in the sale of ALMEC to Bavaria Industriekapital

On August 2nd, BAVARIA Industriekapital AG took over 100% of ALMEC S.p.A., a specialised Italian producer of high-pressure aluminium die-castings, and its subsidiary Rifometal, an aluminium producer from its shareholders Prima S.p.A. (77%) and Metec S.p.A. (23%). ALMEC is one of Italy's largest aluminium die casting foundries for the automotive and motorcycling industry producing automotive components, such as clutch housings and gear cases.

With the acquisition of ALMEC and Rifometal, BAVARIA Industriekapital continues its buy-and-build strategy in the automotive sector. According to Bavaria CEO Reimar Scholz further acquisitions are planned for 2007. The company takes on all employees of both acquired companies.

By selling ALMEC and Rifometal, Prima and Metec are refocusing on their core businesses. For Prima, it is the production of automotive plastic parts mainly for the interior, with a turnover volume of more than EUR 400 million.

goetzpartners acted as the exclusive financial advisor to the owners of ALMEC, the companies Prima and Metec, in this transaction.

## About ALMEC S.p.A.

ALMEC, which is based in Nusco in the province of Avellino, 90km south east of Naples, was started in 1987 by a group of local entrepreneurs and is today employing more than 300 people. The company supplies high-pressure aluminium die castings, complete with machining and finishing, to a range of blue chip clients in the automotive and appliance Industry. The enterprise is the supplier of leading manufacturers such as Getrag, Fiat and Piaggio in Italy as well as Ford, General Motors, Volkswagen and also Getrag in Germany. The consolidated turnover of ALMEC and its subsidiary Rifometal, an aluminium producer, amounted to almost EUR 100 million in 2006.

### About Prima S.p.A.

Prima S.p.A. is a leading Italian based industrial company generating revenues exceeding EUR 400 million. The company is based in the town of Torrice, in the Frosinone province south of Rome and runs production facilities in Italy, Germany and Eastern Europe. Prima is primarily involved in plastic injection moulding for



customers in the automotive and household appliance industry, such as Fiat and Whirlpool . In 2006 Prima acquired four plants of U.S. auto parts supplier Collins & Aikman in the Italian towns in Turin, Anagni, Ferentino and Cassino strengthening the company's role in the Italian automotive industry. Prima is owned by Maurizio Stirpe, former president of Italian industrial association Unione Industriale in Frosinone, and his family.

#### About Metec S.p.A.

Metec is an Italian industry holding.

## **About BAVARIA Industriekapital AG**

BAVARIA Industriekapital AG achieved a turnover of EUR 330 million with an EBITDA of EUR 51 million in 2006 and is listed in the Frankfurt Entry standard. The company, based in Munich, acquires targets with a strong market position and the potential to increase the return on investment.

### About goetzpartners:

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