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ITW ROCOL® North America Acquires METAL MATES

Glenview, IL – December 12, 2005 – ITW (Illinois Tool Works) acquired Metal Mates, Incorporated of Waterford Michigan and will be adding it as an independent product line of ITW ROCOL North America. Metal Mates was formed in 1975 by developing practical, problem solving products for the metal stamping industry.

ITW ROCOL North America designs and manufactures a full line of coolants and lubricants for the metal working industry including the following product lines:

Accu-Lube – Environmentally safe lubricants and equipment for Near-Dry machining

Rustlick – Performance fluids and products for coolant management

SafeTap – Environmentally safe tapping fluids

Daraclean – Aqueous cleaners

ROCOL Tri-Logic – A patented tri-step approach to maximize flood coolant life

Cedar Lubricants – Superior oil based lubricants for stamping and forming

Metal Mates – Superior water based lubricants for stamping and forming

ITW ROCOL North America manufactures all of their product lines in an ISO 9001 chemical blending plant in DeWitt Iowa. More information on the different product lines is available on ITW ROCOL North America website at www.rocolnorthamerica.com.