



Kennametal Announces New President MSSG

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LATROBE, Pa., July 14, 2008 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Kennametal Inc. (NYSE: KMT) announced today that Paul DeMand has been elected Vice President and President of the company's Metalworking Solutions Services Group (MSSG), effective July 14, 2008.

"We are excited to have Paul join the Kennametal team. His expertise in industrial products, manufacturing, business development and strategic planning across various industries, along with his global experience, are a good fit for Kennametal and we are confident that he will lead MSSG to the next level and beyond," commented Carlos Cardoso Kennametal Chairman, President and CEO.

In this role, DeMand will have responsibility for all of Kennametal's Metalworking Solutions and Services Group worldwide, comprising some 11,000 employees and currently representing 60 percent of the company's overall sales revenues.

Prior to joining Kennametal, DeMand served as Senior Vice President / Division Head of the Industrial Products Group at Johnson Electric, Ltd., Hong Kong. Before holding that position, he was Vice President, Electro-Mechanical at Solestro Corporation in California, and has more than 25 years of experience in operations, quality, strategic planning, new business development and engineering across numerous industries. DeMand holds a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from Kettering University and an MBA from the University of Detroit Mercy.

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