

## **Kennametal Signs \$500 Million Credit Agreement**

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LATROBE, Pa., March 27, 2006 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Kennametal Inc. (NYSE: KMT) announced today the signing of a \$500 million second amended and restated revolving credit agreement. This five-year syndicated bank facility lowers Kennametal's borrowing costs and provides the company with added flexibility in pursuit of its strategic acquisition activity, including the incorporation of a foreign subsidiary borrowing feature.

Bank of America acted as co-lead arranger and will be the administrative agent for the transaction. Key Bank and National City Bank were co-lead arrangers and co-syndication agents. The agent group was completed by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N. A. and PNC Bank, National Association in their capacity as co-documentation agents.

Kennametal Inc. (NYSE: KMT) is a leading global supplier of tooling, engineered components and advanced materials consumed in production processes. The company improves customers' competitiveness by providing superior economic returns through the delivery of application knowledge and advanced technology to master the toughest of materials application demands. Companies producing everything from airframes to coal, from medical implants to oil wells and from turbochargers to motorcycle parts recognize Kennametal for extraordinary contributions to their value chains. Customers buy over \$2.3 billion annually of Kennametal products and services-delivered by our 14,000 talented employees in over 60 countries-with almost 50 percent of these revenues coming from outside the United States. Visit us at www.kennametal.com [KMT-G]

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